

Salaries tabled-special meeting planned.

A standing room only situation existed at the Town Hall Annex on Monday night when about 75 residents of the town attended the council meeting to express opinions regarding the proposed remuneration for the mayor. Mayor Plain chaired the meeting at which several past members of council were in attendance. Discuss-

ion on the matter was not limited to a particular span of time so that views could be heard and this matter took over two hours of the nearly four hour meeting.

NO EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

Mayor Plain was asked by Mr. Keith Easson, who

spoke first, if he had hired an executive assistant or if an executive assistant was to be hired. The mayor flatly denied that one had been hired or indeed that there was any desire or intention to create such a post within St. Albert's municipal structure.

Next to speak was Mrs. Tupper who stated that she was in favour of the increase

in pay for the mayor, but she could only support the proposal if she received some assurance that future mayors would be as qualified or as willing to put the effort into the position as the incumbent mayor. She felt that if previous mayors had extra effort into their duties then St. Albert may not be experiencing the problems of

rapid growth. Her suggestion to overcome the current controversy over the remuneration increase was the payment of a "bonus" to bring up his salary.

FORMER COUNCILLORS EXPRESS VIEWS

Two former members of the town council rose to

query the salary increase.

First to speak was Mr. Robert Hudson who asked the mayor if the resolution had come from a committee of council as is the usual case for such proposals. The mayor responded that the motion had stemmed from the council and was moved by Coun. Breadner.

Mr. Hudson asked if the
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Large crowd enjoyed fine program which opened Seniors Rec Centre

There was standing room only at the Senior Citizen's Recreation Centre at Tache Street for Sunday afternoon's opening ceremonies, and despite the unexpected January rain and slippery conditions, older people formed the greater part of the crowd. The building looked lovely,

enhanced by a number of beautiful flower arrangements, sent in congratulation by local firms.

Constables Ron Rocco and Bill Burness of the St. Albert detachment RCMP escorted the distinguished guests to their places: Nora Rouault, president of the St. Albert

Women's Institute, Lily Szuba, president of the Senior Citizen's Club, Dr. Walker, co-ordinator of the RCMP Century Celebration for the Province of Alberta, the Rev. John Barford, Mayor Dick Plain and MLA Ernie Jamison.

O'Canada was accompan-

ied by Danny Boisvert's band on stage for the celebration and the charming toastmistress for the WI, Marg Dalman, called upon Nora Rouault who warmly welcomed "everyone who has come to share the excitement of this day with us." She thanked all who had worked so hard on the project and the many people who had made donations for the Centre.

Rev. Barford dedicated the building with an earnest and

most fitting prayer, prior to the cutting of the ribbon by Mrs. Szuba, Dr. Walker and Mr. Jamison.

DR. WALKER PLEASED

"It is a real pleasure to attend this opening in this lovely warm place," said Dr. Walker, and see the completion of this project, one of 166 submitted to the RCMP Celebration Committee. Quite a number of these were for senior centres of various

types, he said, and this is quite the most sumptuous. It was one that qualified for the maximum grant, he added, and the application of the WI gained this approval on its merit and the fact that it involved other organizations and was a real community effort. He congratulated those who worked on the project, and "above all the WI and presented an RCMP Centennial Plaque to Mrs. Szuba to hang in the Centre,

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Lily Szuba, president of the St. Albert Senior Citizens Club is assisted by Dr. James Howell in displaying a picture reproduced from an historic painting which was presented to the new Seniors Recreation Centre by MLA Ernie Jamison on behalf of the Province at Sunday's opening of the Centre. Rev. John Barford who dedicated the building is seated at centre and Norah Rouault, president of the Women's Institute, who initiated and carried out the building project, is seen at left.

Council considers proposal for recreation park

One of the items added to the agenda of the council meeting held on Monday night was a letter from Ernie Jamison, MLA, reporting that he had approached the Minister of Public Works as to the intention of the Government for the use of River Lot 56.

River lot 56, or at least a portion of the site located on the east boundary of St. Albert, has been used by Girl Guides and Scouts for campsites.

Mr. Jamison's letter suggested that the mayor and council submit a proposed plan for land use of the property which under government policy could possibly be leased for a 49 or 99 year period at a nominal fee. Further the letter suggested that the town consider an agreement with the Kinsmen Club, the Scouts and Guides and other recognized local groups to develop the land as a recreation park.

"The Kinsmen Club have shown keen interest in this area for their annual Rodeo," Mr. Jamison states in the letter, "and would like to

discuss this possibility with council in the near future as they have been given written notice to vacate the present site completely by June 30, 1975."

The letter suggested that a Farmers Market Place in the St. Albert area would be beneficial to the residents in the town and district, and pointed out a possibility which could be explored to have a large building erected on the site to be put to many uses.

Mayor Plain stated that the reason the item was brought before council was to receive comments and hear questions from council, and

ask their blessing to proceed along with Reeve Flynn of the MD of Sturgeon and the MLA to do everything within reason to acquire a long term lease on the land for its use on a recreational basis.

Coun. Thronson asked if arrangements could be made with the MD regarding taxes on the property. The mayor felt that the information regarding the taxes, lease, and the possible agreements would require a full report brought back to council.

Mayor Plain also noted that many aspects had to be considered including examination of the formation of an agricultural society with re-

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Borrowing By-Laws given readings

Town council gave second reading to a Bylaw (No. 30/74) to authorize the council to borrow \$583,475. for the purpose of constructing a Police Building on a portion of property bordering on Tache Street and Sir Winston Churchill Avenue. The Health Unit, Legion Hall, and the Police Building are proposed to be located on the property.

The loan, under the terms of the bylaw, is to be repaid over a period of 25 years. A \$40,000 grant is available to assist in the construction of a police building from the solicitor general's department and the estimated total cost of the project (supplied by the consulting architect of the town) is \$623,475.00.

The cost of the land on which the building is to be

located is estimated to be \$134,475 while the construction itself is estimated to be \$489,000.00.

Coun. Breadner was concerned that the cost per square foot of the building, \$61., appeared a bit high in terms of the prices quoted on other public buildings. Mayor Plain pointed out that the requirements for a police

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OPEN FORUM

A Public Forum on School Bus Safety and Operation is being held tonight at 8 o'clock at the Town Hall annex. Messrs. Ed Glasser and Ray Hault from the patrol division, Department of Highways will be on hand to file questions and the school bus people will be

represented by Adam Hauptman. Capital community television will be co-ordinated by Eric Robertson and the meeting will be of special interest to parents. The public is cordially invited to take in this forum, sponsored by the St. Albert Safety Council.

Seniors Rec Centre

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on behalf of the Hon. Bob Dowling who was unable to attend.

Mrs. Dalman called next on Mrs. Szuba, who reviewed the history of the Seniors Club. It was organized in the fall of 1969, she said, with the help of the St. Albert Lady Lions. Their interest then, and through the years, has been a source of much help to us she noted. The first president was the late Susy Michol, followed by the late Freda Wellar. "We gathered at the St. Albert Community Hall and were grateful for their courtesy in letting us use the hall rent free. But we couldn't have paid them anyway," laughed Mrs. Szuba. "We were usually about \$1.39, and that's not rent money these days!" Every hour spent in the hall was marvellous, she went on, and we made many new friends. "But we saw the need to expand our recreation facilities and the WI took on their shoulders a heavy task of administration and work. The citizens of St. Albert should be proud of the WI - they are leaving a legacy for all our senior citizens to enjoy." Mrs. Szuba, who looked lovely for the occasion in her long gown of green wool jersey.

SENIORS THANK W.I.

Mary Joyal, secretary-treasurer of the Senior Citizens Club and Alice Durocher, vice-president were called on for the next presentation - an attractive plaque from the

Seniors in appreciation for the tremendous job done by the WI, which was accepted by President Nora Rouault. On behalf of Grandin Flowers Marg Dalman presented a beautiful bouquet to Mrs. Van Tishem who, at 95, is the oldest member of the Seniors' Club.

"USE YOUR CENTRE" - MR. NORMAND

"It is a real thrill to be here," said Mr. Charles Normand of the New Horizons federal government program, which contributed almost \$12,000 towards the furnishing of the centre. The New Horizons program for town was happy to have been able to make the site available and render some assistance in moving the former teen centre building to its present location. He hoped that the location, close to shopping facilities and the new school, would result in interaction between the public of all ages with the older residents, which he felt would be of benefit to all. "Whoever would have believed," said MLA Ernie Landry, "that the former teen centre could have been so wonderfully transformed into the cosy, bright and practical building we are opening today. I, for one, had my doubts." But of course we know who believed it could be done, he went on - never underestimate the power of a woman - let alone a group of women like our WI gals. They took on a big job and they did it, said Mr. Jamison - never mind opposition from some elected officials, some husbands, some Lions, and other mere men.

"But we have to go," said the two old gentlemen. "Then you'll go at your own risk," replied the young officer. "Sonny," said the driver - I've been driving for 60 years at my own risk - we're going through." Mr. Normand commended his remarks with congratulations on the fine Centre and commendation to the WI.

TOWN CONGRATULATES

Mayor Dick Plain spoke on behalf of the town council congratulating the WI on the determination and unselfish effort which produced such a fine centre for the town's senior citizens, saying that the town was happy to have been able to make the site available and render some assistance in moving the former teen centre building to its present location. He hoped that the location, close to shopping facilities and the new school, would result in interaction between the public of all ages with the older residents, which he felt would be of benefit to all.

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I have been thinking he said, how appropriate the phrase Senior Citizens really is. Our older people are our seniors in so many ways. "Senior in wisdom which comes from the experience of living than it does from schools and books. Seniors in compassion and understanding - for they have experienced sorrow and joy many times - and senior to younger people in their faith." How fortunate are the children who know first hand the love and understanding of grandparents! I hope you will often have children and young people as visitors to this centre, he added.

"No group of Albertans is more deserving of government help than our senior citizens who raised their families with no Medicare, no baby bonus cheques, no Canada Pension Plan, no social security programs, and no 36-hour weeks. Many lived through two wars and a terrible depression. Any help they receive from government at all levels is richly deserved," concluded Mr. Jamison. He presented Mrs. Szuba with a picture from a historical painting depicting a meeting between RCMP and Indian people.

PROVINCIAL W.I. EXECUTIVE PRESENT

All of the members of the Provincial W.I. were present: Mrs. Morrisroe, president, of Red Deer; Mrs. Ballhorn, 1st V.P. of Wetaskiwin; Mrs. Leppan, 2nd V.P. and Mrs. McMillan, secretary-treasurers of Ed-

monton, and District Director, Mrs. Holt of Sanguedo. Mrs. Morrisroe said the perseverance of the St. Albert branch in this successful project has brought much honour to the Women's Institute of Alberta and was an example of the W.I. motto, "Service for Home and Country." Who better could benefit than our pioneers, she added. She hoped everyone would enjoy this party, giving an outstanding achievement of the St. Albert branch. Mrs. Morrisroe presented a lovely landscape painting for the Centre.

REMEMBER WHEN

Toastmistress Marg Dalman called next upon Lorraine Moore - "quite an outstanding writer." Lorraine, who spearheaded the project for the WI gave a delightful presentation and account entitled Remember When, of the many trials and tribulations faced by the group of women from the time they began the project.

She began with Edgar Guest's poem on It Could Be Done But They Did It. Speaking of the attitude of some councillors and men in organizations she felt that "they thought this was just a group of women - we'll humour them - but nothing like what we've done here. There were letters and meetings and submissions - and blue-prints lost in town hall, and questions not answered - we just kept it up," said Mrs. Moore, but singled out Mr. Gibbons as one who consistently supported the project. There were trips in a Toyota to pick up long lengths of pipe - beams dropped on toes - beams discovered to be two feet short. One trip was to city hall to pick up needed plumbing supplies, listed in every detail by a local firm.

"The men in there were I'm sure under the impression that we women were putting in the plumbing ourselves," said Lorraine - and she then said anything to indicate we were not. There were long delays in getting definite word that the provincial RCMP Centennial grant was in fact coming through, causing more consternation. The matter of a basement also caused much discussion with town hall. First there would be a basement - then it wouldn't be feasible - then it would. Finally it was decided - no basement.

Volunteers working to hammer the nails exactly in a straight line - people coming to "sidewalk superintending" - and coming back later to go to work. Through it all said

Lorraine a wonderful comradeship developed and we all became friends. The coffee pot was always on and each day the WI members brought home baked squares and cookies. While the roof was being tarred a weiner roast was held - using the fire under the tar pot. Husbands and sons and daughters of the WI members worked hard and long - as did the seniors themselves, including the women.

Word came of the federal government grant for furnishings and local and district residents kept coming with donations of articles as well as work hours. The project was steadily going ahead. It was discovered that doors weren't wide enough to admit wheel chairs - so we re-did the doors, said Mrs. Moore. Finally it came to the interior painting and finishing touches - which were going on even until last night!

This is a time for us to thank our husbands, said Mrs. Moore - often there were no meals ready - no wives at home - and we frequently called on them to volunteer their help in many ways. We are grateful to so many for their help said Mrs. Moore - and our own Marg Dalman never missed one work day! Mrs. Moore was given a hearty applause.

Marg Dalman called Mrs. Szuba forward and presented her with a shovel, indicative of the sod turning ceremony for the Centre, mounted on a wooden plaque with smaller inscribed plaque suspended from it, to hang in the entrance area. She also presented an Alberta W.I. Plaque, bearing the provincial W.I. crest which, Mrs. Dalman said, is not very often used in such a manner.

Don McMartin of the Welcome Wagon Newcomers Club expressed the congra-

tulations of the club to the WI and the Senior Citizens and presented a handsome vibrator chair for the Centre, which she hoped the older people would find useful as a relaxing treatment.

LUNCHEON & MUSIC

A luncheon was served following the program, while Danny Boisvert and the Starlites entertained, on behalf of the Knights of Columbus. Their delightful and appropriate music got some of the seniors, WI members and visitors up on the dance floor in the mood of many happy times to come in the Centre. In fact after many had gone a group of seniors stayed on, including three of St. Albert's Citizens of the Year: Dr. Wm. Cuts, Ed Savoie and Henry Terrault who holds the honour at present. Since Lorraine Moore is also a former first citizen, they were well represented Sunday. The band played till 5:30 and the others stayed till about seven, enjoying some more good food while the W.I. members were clearing up.

Members of the Starlites are Joanne Martineau, vocalist, Joanne Boisvert, pianist and singer, Giles Bourgeois, Harold Kik and Robert Boisvert on guitar, Don McMartin on drums and leader Danny Boisvert on the violin. With the exception of Robert all the musicians are singers as well.

Plans will be made this week for arrangements on keeping the Centre open, and a drop-in meeting was held today at the Centre. And on Saturday Mrs. Szuba will be there from one until four o'clock in order that all older folk who will be shopping can drop in to play games, rest and enjoy a cup of coffee.

Recreation park

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creation overtones.

Coun. Breadner ascertained from the mayor that there is no one consistent in that what the proposal would involve, if resolved by council to proceed, would be approaching the Minister of Public Works on a more

formal basis.

Coun. Breadner moved that the mayor and the town staff proceed with the MD and the MLA to attempt to acquire the property on a long term lease and investigate the alternate for its use. The motion carried 7 to 0.

By-law readings

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building are different than what is the norm with other public facilities.

Coun. Wetsch told the council that the architect's drawings were not available at the January Police Commission meeting but would possibly be supplied in February. He said that he would forward particular concerns of council to the Commission.

Coun. Breadner queried if approval had been received from all bodies concerned as to their prospective locations on the site. He noted that the Legion had yet to ratify the site and Coun. Thronson said that they had received the information and would soon be coming forward with their conclusion.

Coun. Thronson noted that the indebtedness to be incurred need not be an indicator of the cost of the building and the bylaw merely ascertained the borrowing power of the town. Coun. Breadner noted that there would be a means of enhancing public recreation programs if the shooting range located in the police

building could be made accessible for citizens of the town. Second reading carried 7 to 0.

The second Bylaw which was read at the council meeting was No. 2/75 to provide for the construction of a water supply main. The bylaw was given first reading only at the meeting and following first reading it was to be sent to the Local Authorities Board.

Coun. Thronson moved the first reading and the motion carried 7 to 0.

The town's consulting engineers estimate the cost of the construction of the line to be \$783,000 and a certain amount of the cost will be reimbursed by the City of Edmonton at a time when the city requires use of that main for its own purposes. The cost of the water mains are estimated to be \$1,539,947 and the City of Edmonton will rebate an estimated \$1,222,947 in or about the year 1979.

The bylaw states that the application for authorization to borrow the full \$1,539,947 is to be dated the 1st of February, 1975.

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Gateway Association for Handicapped Briefs Cabinet Ministers

A delegation of persons for the Gateway Association for the Mentally Handicapped presented two briefs to Cabinet Ministers of the Alberta Government regarding education and residence needs of the mentally handicapped, on January 16.

Mr. Ernie Jamison, MLA, introduced Mrs. Gloria Shad, a spokesman for the

Gateway Association, and the delegation to the Hon. Neil Crawford (Minister of Health and Social Development) and the Hon. Lou Hyndman (Minister of Education).

Accompanying Mrs. Shad to the meeting were two members of the Association's Education Committee and two members from the

Residence Committee. Mrs. Betty Stevens-Guille and Mrs. Francis Reed represented the Education Committee and Mrs. Jean McNeely and Mr. Peter Thornton represented the Residence Committee.

The brief regarding Early Childhood Education for the Mentally Handicapped urged that immediate action be taken by the Alberta Government to implement a program for the development and education of mentally handicapped children in the Edmonton area aged from

birth to age six.

An operational plan for Early Childhood Services published by the Government of Alberta in 1973 states, "The past decade has produced a new body of educational, psychological, and medical research that has documented the crucial importance of the first eight years of life." The Gateway Association's brief points out recent research carried out in Seattle demonstrates that intervention commencing soon after birth and continuing in a systematic plan

through to age six is critical to the prospects for development of mentally handicapped children. Their suggestion was that a pilot project be implemented to handle 45 to 50 children which, through immediate action, could begin in a matter of months.

The second brief presented by the Gateway Association drew attention to the lack of available residence space, camps, or group homes for short term or long-term care.

The Association suggested that the Government should

discontinue transfers from Red Deer to Edmonton until service is provided for the many hardship cases on the waiting lists, provide a hospital for the care and treatment of the severely and profoundly retarded and children with emotional and behavioural problems, provide community residences of a semi-closed nature for the adult trainable retardate, provide a 50 bed residence as a family support measure for retardates living at home, and continue to develop apartment facilities of a fairly open type accommodation for the educable retardate. The Association suggested the discontinuation of the Family Home Program with the rational being that moving retardates from foster homes to foster home being a "prospect too dreadful to contemplate."

Also contained within the brief were four considerations. The first consideration was that the base be raised from the present \$83 per month to \$175 per month. The second consideration was supplemental income covering rent, special medical and education requirements, allocated on the basis of individual need. The third consideration stated that disabled adults now earn \$15 per month over and above social allowance and that this amount should be increased to \$100 per month. Also recommended was the phasing out of the "yellow voucher" system for the reason that the system appears to have been designed to embarrass the users when they shop.

The Gateway Association will be holding a meeting on January 27 in the Mission Clubhouse at 7:30. Anyone interested in the Association or its objectives is urged to attend.

Building Inspector reports more condominiums in 74

The report from Building Inspector Mr. Andy Kampen, indicates single family dwelling permits dropped by 38% in 1974 over 1973 whereas Condominium per-

mits increased by 104%. During 1974, 571 permits were issued for single family dwellings compared with 918 permits issued during 1973.

Permits issued for condominiums totalled 182 during 1974 compared with 89 during 1973.

During the month of December, 1974, 40 permits were issued for single family dwellings (22 issued in December 1973). No permits were issued for condominiums in December 1974 (1 was issued in December, 1973). There were 10 permits issued for garages during December, 1974 (none during, 1973).

Permit figures to date for garages shows an increase during 1974 compared to 1973: 212 permits were issued in 1974, 162 were issued in 1973. The number of permits issued for carports doubled in 1974 (16), 8 were issued in 1973.

Fewer permits were issued in 1974 for swimming pools, only 3 were issued compared with 9 in 1973.

Lot availability decreased at the end of 1974 over the figure supplied at the end of 1973. There were 933 available lots at the 2nd of January, 1975. On January 2, 1974, there were 1,345 available lots.

Wife: Some man has asked me to run away with him and forget all about you dear, but I won't.

Husband: You mean you won't leave?

Wife: Of course not. I'll write you every day.

The Institute of Law Research and Reform has issued a report recommending a new law regulating the contracts of people under 18 years of age. It thinks that the law should be less complex and that the court should have more power of adjustment to ensure fairness. At present a seller is entitled to be paid for necessities supplied to a minor, but he may not be able to tell whether the goods are really necessary. In other

cases it is hard for either side to know whether a contract is not binding at all or whether it is binding until set aside, and the difference can be important. The court has no power to make adjustments and may have to choose a result which is harsh to one side or the other.

The Institute's majority report would allow an adult to enforce a contract against a minor if he had good reason to think it fair in itself and in the circumstances of the

minor. No other contract would be enforceable against the minor, but the court would have the power to adjust the rights of the adult and the minor, requiring either one to pay money or return property. A minority report would prefer not to provide for any class of enforceable contracts and would allow the court to adjust the rights of the parties in all cases.

The Institute's report deals with many incidental matters. Guarantors of minors' contracts would be required to honour their guarantees and would be able to recover from the minor whatever the court thinks is fair. If a minor did not repudiate the contract within a year of his 18th birthday he would be bound by it. Even if the minor lies about his age, the new law would apply to the contract. The court could, if necessary, validate a contract and make it enforceable.

The Institute's report has been forwarded to the Attorney General.

Law institute report would regulate minor's contracts

The Fair wants them

The committee in charge of the annual Book Fair at Sir George Simpson and Robert Rundle schools has begun to collect used books, pocket books, magazines and comic books. Old National Geographics are always very welcome too.

This year they will feature puzzles and educational toys as well. Anyone in the process of cleaning out cupboards and having any books they would like to get rid of is asked to call 459-3606 and they will be picked up.

The Book Fair has become a very popular annual event in St. Albert over the years, as local residents find they can exchange books they have finished with for ones they haven't read at very nominal prices. Children and

adult books and magazines are displayed on tables and volunteers look after the organizing and the sales. Proceeds go to the schools for extra equipment and everybody has a fine time browsing around and coming up with finds to their liking.

On Tuesday, January 28 there will be a meeting of volunteers and everyone interested is invited to come along and get involved.



NAME THE SCHOOL CONTEST

ST. ALBERT PROTESTANT SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6 is sponsoring a contest to name the new elementary community core school being built in Lacombe Park. The contest is open to everyone in District No. 6 - especially children. A prize will be awarded for the winning name. Send your suggestion for the name with the reasons for your choice to Mrs. M. Martin, Assistant Superintendent, 60 Sir Winston Churchill Avenue, St. Albert. Contest closes December 31, 1974.

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to the Editor

In support of the mayor

Questions increase in mayor's salary

Favours \$20,000 for Mayor

As a businessman in the community I feel that it is essential that some obvious facts are brought to the attention of the citizens of St. Albert.

To ask an individual to guide or operate what is essentially a \$6 million a year business for the princely sum of \$12 thousand per annum is some kind of a joke.

What was required was a millionaire who was prepared to take on the responsibility of running a town and would be a flaming patriot in the bargain, who could write off the time spent as a business expense.

This type of an individual is hard to come by. As a matter of fact they are as scarce as hen's teeth.

I believe that what we have is a very capable young man who is prepared to give the job an honest effort, but because he is not independently wealthy has indicated to the people of St. Albert

that the time requirements to do the job make it necessary that he be paid more.

I would like to point out that for the first time in history of this town, developers will be held accountable for recreational costs, and will have to pay as they develop.

The saving from this type of action to the individual taxpayer - on this item alone - more than compensates any raise the mayor will receive.

I believe that since we elected this man by a large mandate, and asked him to do his honest best to help this town in its future development, we should in turn deal honestly with him.

Genuine bargains are few and far between and our present mayor could well turn out to be the best bargain this town has ever had at any price.

Gerry W. Belke.

The recent bid by Dr. Plain to change the position of mayor to a two-thirds full time job and to increase his gross income to \$20,000 per annum would appear to have caused considerable adverse reaction among the electorate.

One question which has not been explained fully is why an obviously intelligent person like Dr. Plain should make such a move after only two months of a year term.

It seems to me that there are a number of answers which could be applied to this question:

1. When campaigning for mayor, Dr. Plain grossly underestimated the demands of the position. If this is the case, what other aspects of the job did he underestimate?

2. By asking for such a large raise so early in his term of office he is relying on the notoriously short memory of the electorate, so that, by the time of the next election the two-thirds full time position and the exorbitant salary will be an accepted fact.

3. It is an accepted practice in industry for a new employee to prove himself before an increase in salary is given. Perhaps the mayor is not confident that he can prove himself.

4. The mayor does not expect to get \$20,000 per

annum. It is a fairly common ploy for a union to make an outlandish claim initially so that they may finally receive a raise which is above the accepted norm.

5. Dr. Plain has illusions of grandeur and would like to see his position placed on par with cities such as Calgary and Edmonton.

It must be remembered that Dr. Plain is still a comparative amateur in civic management. For my money - and it is my money - \$20,000 per annum is a great deal of money to pay a part time amateur. In any case, the Town of St. Albert already has a professional Town Administrator.

As a matter of principle I will support a petition for a plebiscite on this matter. However, I believe Dr. Plain will eventually get his raise, as the present council has already shown that it intends to go its own way, regardless of electorate demand. I refer, of course, to the plebiscite on light industry for St. Albert.

T. C. Postings,
Grandin Park.

Young writers and artists

We invite young people in your community to send us paintings, drawings, poems and stories which express their feelings about themselves, their environment, and the world we live in.

Our project, All About Us/Noirs Autres, is a non profit group which collects, publishes and exhibits creations by Canadians from six to 18 years of age. Our purpose is to provide a way for our six million school-age people to get to know each other better. We hope many in your area will share their ideas, their interests, hopes and concerns.

Original works from all parts of Canada, received by May 1, 1975, will be

considered for the third annual art exhibit and a second volume of writing planned for fall publication. The national art exhibit will open in Ottawa during Festival Canada, and travel to various regions throughout the year.

Pictures and writings should be sent directly to All About Us/Noirs Autres. Please include name, age and address on each item so we can let you know about exhibitions and publications. Students, teachers and the public can write for further information.

In 2½ months our new councillors acting upon suggestions and ideas of our new mayor realized for the town a saving of \$350,000, re Akinsdale and Qualico. I would say that the mayor has not only proved himself but has shown that the amount of benefit to the town is directly proportioned to the amount of time spent on the job.

Councillor Fyfe agrees to an increase but not one of \$8,000. Perhaps she should ask a few company presidents with similar responsibilities of the mayor if they would trade him salaries. Perhaps then she wouldn't be so concerned about the "take home" amount.

To Richard "Dick" Leggett I point out that the \$50,000 saving as a result of negotiations with Qualico in Akinsdale represents considerably more than "A Dollar For Dick."

Mr. Cooper pointed out that Dr. Plain converted the mayorality job to one that is more than part time over the university Christmas holidays. Perhaps it was necessary. I ask Mr. Cooper what he did during his days off at Christmas.

If Mr. Pouliot thinks the mayor's job only takes 40 hours a week I suggest he follow Dr. Plain for an area week.

There are towns that experience periods that demand more time from its councillors and mayors, and I believe that St. Albert is experiencing one of those times now. We need new facilities, expanded services, and better controlled development "now." The town can use as much time as its mayor and councillors can give it.

I wish not to be confused with Garry Hodgins who was Dr. Plain's campaign manager. I have only met Dr. Plain once socially and once at an election forum. I did not work on his campaign. My interest is only as an interested taxpayer and citizen.

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District 3 not supporting petition against Bill 22

Mr. Steve Sieben, chairman of St. Albert School District No. 3, opened the meeting of January 11 by requesting trustee comments and guidance in connection with the petition to the Governor-General of Canada to disallow Bill 22 (the official languages act). The Alberta School Trustees Association is responding to a plea from the Quebec Association of Protestant School Boards. That association is seeking to have Bill 22 disallowed by court test in Canada's high courts.

Trustee Sylvia Walsh commented that she would certainly support the petition as she feels that the bill encroaches upon the freedom of a large segment of the Canadian people to educate their children in the way they wish to have them educated. She said that the board should add their support to show that they are interested and that it means something to them. She added that not just sit there and do nothing about it.

Mrs. Elsie Lockert sought further information from the other trustees to enable her to better understand the situation. Mrs. Walsh briefly described the situation surrounding the controversial bill.

Mr. Peter Freeman thought it presumptuous to take a position on internal affairs, not only with another province but with another province. He considered that there are appropriate ways and mechanics at provincial and federal levels which can deal with this type of situation. He strongly opposed supporting the request from the Quebec association on the grounds that it was not the business of District No. 3.

Mrs. Walsh remarked that although she respected Mr. Freeman's views, she could not see how, as a Canadian, he could say it was not any business of the district. If Alberta were to do something similar, she felt it would be the business of every other province across the country.

Freeman replied to the effect that perhaps as a Canadian that might be so but not as a board member. Mr. Ernie Howrish joined him in questioning whether the board had any right to react to what he considered a provincial jurisdiction.

A motion to sign the petition was made by Mrs. Walsh and the motion was lost with Trustees Howrish, Lockert and Freeman in opposition. (District 6 voted

to support the petition by a 3-2 vote at their Dec. 18 meeting).

Mr. Sieben read a letter from the Alberta School Trustees Association stating that the Alberta Law Foundation is willing to supply a copy of the Criminal Code of Canada to the high school library and which will be kept up to date for a cost of \$15 a year. Mr. Freeman moved that the board accept this offer and the motion was carried.

Trustee Sylvia Walsh reported on the policy handbook and observed that there are many items which should be in the handbook which are not there and many items which require updating. She informed the board that the Policy Handbook Committee is undertaking to resolve the situation.

Reporting for the Buildings Committee, Mrs. Walsh moved that the committee recommendation to proceed with renovations, including a cooling system, for the district administrative building be approved. The motion was carried.

Mr. Ted Baldwin, secretary-treasurer, informed the board that the new school presently under construction

in the Braeside area is approximately three weeks ahead of schedule. In reply to a question from Mrs. Lockert, he explained that the exterior brickwork would be waterproofed and then painted.

Next on the agenda was a report from the superintendent, Dr. Bill Zielski. He reported that he had hired a Mr. Stewart to work in the industrial arts laboratory of Vincent Maloney school for the 75/76 school year. Mr. Stewart will also be involved in setting up the lab during the summer months.

Dr. Zielski then moved on to student accommodation for the 75/76 school year. Mrs. Lockert wondered whether schools were not full to capacity and whether the district would be able to accommodate another of the town's kindergarten. Dr. Zielski explained that there will be a normal seasonal increase in September and he expected schools to be operating at their capacity.

Dr. Zielski recommended that parent-teacher interviews take place on the evening of March 6 and all

day on Friday, 7th, to coincide with Education Week. Report cards will be handed out on Feb. 28. Mrs. Walsh moved that the superintendent's recommendation be approved and the motion was carried.

A Mrs. Billings, representing Capital Cable TV, was in attendance at the meeting. She explained to the board that one of the objectives of Cable 11 is to try to cover the political scene. Presently, council meetings are televised on Cable 11 and the company would like to have some person cover the meeting and then report these meetings for Capital Cable TV. Mrs. Billings asked the trustees whether they had any suggestions as to who might wish to perform these duties and she suggested, perhaps optimistically, that a defeated candidate might be interested in covering the meetings.

Mrs. Lockert asked if Capital Cable had a reporter available and Mrs. Billings replied that the company did not, and as Cable 11 is a community channel, it would

prefer to draw someone from the community.

Mr. Freeman wondered if there would be some value in turning the matter over to the radio and TV students in the high school. Mr. Sieben agreed that this was a food for thought and that the board would consider it at a subsequent meeting.

Mr. Ernie Howrish voiced his concern over communications generally. He said that he recognizes that there are many different kinds of communication throughout the district but he would like to see the board put in some extra effort into communication. He suggested that District 3 publish an insert with the annual report, to coincide with Education Week, and highlighting the events of the school districts. Mrs. Walsh agreed that this was an excellent idea and hoped it would proceed. She mentioned that District 6 had released a very good insert last year. Mr. Howrish moved that the board publish an insert in terms of highlighting the events of the district and the motion was carried.

Library prepares spring programs

Spring may not be official here but there is definitely a springtime feeling in the air at the St. Albert Public Library at this time of the year as the library prepares its line of spring programs. This year there is literally something for everybody and the best news is that all are free.

Starting the first week in February and running for 10 consecutive weeks the St. Albert Public Library will be offering its popular Pre-School Storyhours twice a week, a weekly after-school Storytime of stories, games and craft activities for elementary school children, and a Sunday afternoon Family Film program.

The library's popular Pre-School Storyhours will be offered on Wednesday from

2 to 3 p.m., starting Feb. 5, and on Thursdays from 10 to 11 a.m., starting Feb. 6. There is no charge and no registration for these programs. Attendance from week to week is voluntary but children should attend one session or the other, not both. The hour long program includes stories, songs, arts and crafts, and puppets. The weekly programs are held in the Annex, adjacent to the library.

The library is also offering a program just for children between the ages of five and 12 every Friday from 4 o'clock to 5 o'clock this spring. It is called Storytime and will be held in the boys and girls section of the library every Friday from 4 to 5 p.m., starting Friday, Feb. 7. Each week the hour will be

filled with stories and games as well as crafts and special features like movies or puppet shows. There is no registration required, and anyone is welcome. Attendance from week to week is voluntary as well.

For the entire family the library will be offering Family Films every Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Each week's program will be featured in the Gazette and will be listed on the Cable 11 billboard weekly. There is no charge. The first Family Film program will be Sunday, Feb. 2 at 2 p.m.

More information about these programs will appear in the Gazette from week to week and for further information call the St. Albert Public Library at 459-3774, or better yet, drop by and visit your library.

No charges have yet been laid following an incident January 18 where a local resident complained to RCMP that three juveniles were breaking windows at the Albert Lacombe School. Three windows were reported broken at the school after the offenders threw bottles at them from a distance.

Waterline Repaired

A broken waterline on St. Anne Street has been repaired, a spokesman for the Town of St. Albert said this week.

During the break, a number of businesses in town were without regular water supplies in the downtown area.



Woodward's ANNOUNCES furniture WAREHOUSE AND SHOWROOMS fair

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Applications for full time and part time staff are now being accepted for our new "Furniture Fair" store opening March of this year. Located at 118 Ave. and 142 St. this new concept in furniture sales will comprise 250 room groupings and 100,000 feet of warehouse space. To staff this new store we will be looking for the following employees:

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St. Albert man dies after fall down stairs

A St. Albert man died January 18 after a fall down a flight of stairs in a local apartment.

RCMP said that Clarence Roy Tansum, 21, died at 6 p.m., in the University Hospital because of head injuries sustained in the fall.

Police have described the incident which led to the fall as a "scuffle" which involved three other persons. The incident is still under investigation and occurred at Garden Crescent in the early morning.

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Mayor's salary

matter had only come up two weeks ago and if the matter had not been under discussion previous to the time it "appeared" on the agenda. The mayor informed Mr. Hudson that it had been the subject of an informal meeting held in mid-November at which time the suggestions for the salary increases for both mayor and councillors were made.

Mr. Hudson said that on the grounds of the information supplied by the mayor, that the matter had been discussed shortly after the election when many of the councillors were inexperienced and not in a position to assess their new jobs and therefore he had objected to the salary increases. He objected further on the grounds that on the basis of 70 to 80 meetings per year, the remuneration on a per meeting basis was about \$2,500 (at \$36 per meeting) and the increase for councillors proposed at this time is up to \$4,500.

Mayor Plain answered that the estimated \$4,000 salary in the proposal was based upon the total of the salary plus expenses, Coun. Broadner interjected that the

information he had been supplied by staff indicated that if the council had continued at the number of meetings taking place over the last six months, the average salary of a councillor would be about \$4,000 per year.

Mr. Hudson offered that in view of the fact that regular meetings are scheduled once per week therefore 52 meetings would be held per year. He noted that on the basis of \$36 dollars per meeting, a number in the neighbourhood of three meetings would have to be held per week in order that the \$4,000 salary would be received. He asked if the council felt that two or three meetings per week were required to carry out the business of the town and if the councillors were able to accommodate the meetings. The mayor stated that on the basis of total expenditures per councillor, which he did not feel he should call out and identify by name, that the figure of \$4,000 indicated the average remuneration paid to councillors.

Coun. Smith noted that the

information provided to the councillors, yet to be made public, regarding the remuneration paid to the previous councillors indicates considerable variation between the salaries. She pointed out that not only the council meetings are granted remuneration for the town. Smith granted that the figures had to be checked but noted that the lowest remuneration figure was \$3,800, the highest was over \$4,000, and the average was reported to be about \$4,000.

COUN. THRONSDON REPORTS OWN REMUNERATION AND COUN. LUKAY'S

Coun. Thronsdon offered his own remuneration received for 1974, stating that it was complete to November 1974 and he had not missed any meetings, reporting he received \$2,988. With the likelihood that the figure could inflate as high as \$3,600. He stated that he received \$2,672 for 1973 and he personally felt that the proposed increase was high. Coun. Lukay asked Coun. Thronsdon to give his (Lukay's) earnings as a councillor for 1973 and Coun. Thronsdon stated that it was \$3,102.54. Coun. Lukay was given a remuneration of \$3,264 to the beginning of November, 1974.

MR. deBRUIN IN FAVOUR OF FULL TIME MAYOR, SALARY, BUT HAS QUARREL WITH METHODS

Mr. de Bruijn stated that he did not argue with the fact that there should be a full time mayor with adequate salary. But he stated that he took issue with the fact that the matter was not brought up during the election when he had the opportunity to

report the intention to propose a full time mayor as being part of his platform.

Mr. de Bruijn asked council to note that as they gained experience in office they would find that meetings would not be so frequent.

Mr. Plain said that at the time the matter of increasing the remuneration was under consideration he had "honestly" ascertained what the job would entail. He said that he had attempted to make his assessment of the job in a straight forward manner and set it out in that way for the public. The mayor pointed out that it was one thing to look at a job from "the outside" and make an assessment. He noted that in his experience he had found that one must look at the priorities from the inside, examine policies and time constraints, and then arrive at an assessment.

Mr. de Bruijn thought that the mayor was made fully aware of the time requirements before he took office or let his name stand for office. He noted that a man as honest as Mayor Plain's comment which drew laughter from the audience) being aware of the situation would not have elected to have the public uninformed of the intention to raise the salary of mayor. The mayor said that the situation had changed and it was now apparent that the job as it now stands differs in the direction and inputs in requires. The mayor noted that different jobs and different approaches require different inputs.

CITIZEN GIVES APPROVAL TO INCREASE

Mr. Dehane took the floor following Mr. de Bruijn's comments and stated that he and his neighbours approved the increase in salary for the mayor in light of the fact that

the time to be spent on the job was to increase. He referred specifically to the councillors who have taken issue with the proposal accusing them of making "a lot of noise." He further said if the said councillors applied as much time to other problems, the citizens would benefit. His comment received mixed reaction from the audience including scattered applause and a "Sez You" from a corner of the room.

Dr. White directed a question pertaining to the location chosen for holding a meeting drawing as much citizen response and high turnout. He noted that he had approached Coun. Fyfe regarding moving the meeting to a location capable of accommodating a larger group. Coun. Fyfe stated that she had approached the mayor on Monday morning to have a larger facility arranged for. She stated that the mayor had informed her that it was too late though she felt that advertising on all the radio stations would have led to a situation where the meeting could have been held with more citizens accommodated.

Mayor Plain stated that he was not opposed to accommodating the citizens. He did draw attention to the fact that the approach made to change the meeting place was made about seven hours before the actual time the meeting was to be held. He said if the council had been on their toes, the arrangements would have been made a week ago.

PETITION PRESENTED AGAINST SALARY INCREASE SIGNED BY 1,039

Mr. Jarvis circulated a brief which indicated specific areas of contention regarding the matter. He told the council that he had just finished gathering up the petition and had a total of 1,039 signatures. He also pointed out the fact that an item included within the brief had been included when indications were that there had been a proposal for an executive assistant to the mayor. He explained that it had been indicated to him that this position had been intended. During the presentation of the brief, Mr. Plain re-stated that there was no intention that an executive assistant to the mayor was to be hired.

Coun. Smith wondered whether if the group who were represented by the petition had any suggested figure for a salary for the mayor. Mr. Jarvis noted that the only figure suggested was the escalation clause plus the based on the cost of living index attached to the \$12,000 per year salary.

Coun. Smith asked Mr. Jarvis what his feelings would be to a modified proposal stating that she was concerned at the expensive proposition of plebiscite. Mr. Jarvis expressed that he was aware of the cost of a plebiscite but those who had signed the petition were calling for that measure to be taken. Expressing his personal opinion, Mr. Jarvis said he was not in favour of a plebiscite because it would be futile - the proposal would

be soundly defeated.

Coun. Smith wondered why the matter of an executive assistant was not explored to more depth. She stated that upon being questioned by persons who had signed the petition regarding the matter of an executive assistant and upon informing them that no such position was intended, some wished that they had not signed.

Coun. Smith pointed out to Mr. Jarvis that in the Woods-Gordon report used by the town as the basis for their structure, the administrator is able to reorganize as he sees fit. She stated that there would be no increase in the number of senior position in the staff.

Mr. Jarvis stated that according to his information, the appointment had been made and indeed the executive assistant had been named.

Coun. Wetsch asked Mr. Jarvis if what was objected to was the full-time mayor or the \$20,000 salary. Mr. Jarvis responded that the salary was to be paid as a return on monies lost in order the mayor could be available full-time. He expressed doubt that the full-time position was required. Mr. Jarvis stated that he had not received much objection to the \$4,500 salary for councillors.

Mr. Lukay asked what was intended in the Brief presented where reference was made to Planning functions in respect to certain duties of council members. Mr. Jarvis noted in his brief that there is no room in the Planning Department for a "self-styled" planner. The mayor ascertained that Mr. Jarvis was referring that council should not attempt to do the planning for the planner.

Coun. Broadner asked for an assessment on the time that should be spent by the mayor on the job from Mr. Jarvis and his organization. Mr. Jarvis stated that each councillor is responsible for the time he or she spends and was not prepared to delineate a set time. Mr. Jarvis stated that if pay was assessed in terms of ability "very few council members would be earning their expenses." The comment drew loud laughter from the audience.

Mayor Plain asked for the experience in municipal politics that Mr. Jarvis had and was informed that Mr. Jarvis had been a councillor in a town of 2,000 population with a planning area of 80 thousand population for a period of eight years. The town was in the Burlington-Dundas area of southwestern Ontario.

Mr. Goodman expanded upon the analogy dealing with a man applying for a job and being "hired" to take on that job. He said that the mayor discussed an immense raise in salary without proving himself and in effect changing the job itself. Mr. Goodman added that this action abrogated the terms of the contract. He stated that acting upon the proposal "besmirched the reputation of the town."

Mr. Goodman referred to the agreement arrived at

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WATER RATE INCREASES

Early last week the City of Edmonton passed a bylaw which will increase the cost of water to the residents of St. Albert by approximately 100% as of January 1, 1976. This bylaw was presented and passed at city council meeting before the report was released to the Town of St. Albert. The net result is that the council was deprived of any opportunity to argue the merits of the proposed increases, or to present any portion of the town's case. It is felt that this type of uni-lateral action is unacceptable.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

The economic impact of the increases in the town's water costs can be illustrated by considering the effect of the two stage increases on an average monthly consumption of approximately six million cubic feet.

[1] At Present

6 million cu. ft./mo. x \$0.1760/100 cu. ft. equals \$10,560/mo.

The city imposes a 35% surcharge over and above this amount, which equals \$3,696/mo. The total monthly bill is \$14,256.

[2] 1st Increase effective July 1/75

6 million cu.ft./mo. x \$0.2936/100 cu.ft. equals \$17,616/mo.
Add the 35% surcharge \$ 6,165.6/mo.

Total \$23,781.6/mo.

[3] 2nd Increase effective Jan. 1/76.

6 million cu.ft./mo. x 0.3612/100 equals \$21,672.0/mo.
Add the 35% surcharge \$ 7,585.2/mo.

Total \$29,257.2/mo.

It is clear from this simplified example that the total cost of water to the Town of St. Albert will increase by 66.8% between the present and July 1/75. The increase over the present versus Jan./76 will amount to approximately 105.2%.

PROPOSED OR INTENDED ACTIONS

The following actions have been undertaken:

- (1) A request for an informal meeting between the Town and City mayors has been forwarded to Edmonton City Hall.
- (2) The Hon. Roy Farran, Minister of Utilities, has been contacted and St. Albert's situation has been succinctly set out.
- (3) The rate increases have been included in the joint submission by the Town of St. Albert and other parties before the Public Utilities Board. (The justification and the "fairness" of the rate increase will have to be demonstrated by Edmonton before the Board.
- (4) Members of Edmonton City Council have been contacted.
- (5) Preliminary discussions regarding the economic feasibility of alternative sources of water supply have been initiated.

The Town Council regrets the fact that Edmonton has followed its present course of action. It is hoped that by diligently pursuing matters in a positive manner that we can mitigate the economic effects of the present rate increases.

Mayor Richard Plain.

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS TO BE HELD
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between the town and Qualico which had been a saving of \$300,000 in terms of a "free gift" given by the developer. Mr. Plain cautioned Mr. Jarvis to stay on the topic at the question and booing came from the audience.

Mr. Goodman's final point was that if the mayor was to receive only a third of his salary from the university then the remainder could be made up by the town and justified. His final point was that if the mayor or any councillor could not agree to the terms of appointment, then it was his duty to resign.

MAYOR NOT EXCUSED FROM DISCUSSION AND VOTE ON MAYORAL SALARY

Councillor Gary Wetsch noted that the mayor could not excuse himself from the vote and discussion on the

Mayor's salary

matter of the salary despite Mayor Plain asking if this could be the case. He stated that he appreciated the mayor's sentiments but did not feel that he should be excused.

Coun. Lukay asked that clarification be given to the matter of the average salaries of members of council in the past. He said that there seems to be doubt as to the accuracy of the material council had received. Coun. Lukay stated that he would rather have further information supplied by staff and also that the matter be examined in terms of total budget. Members of the audience felt that matter irrelevant.

Coun. Thronson moved that the matter be lifted from the table and the motion carried 7 to 0. Coun. Thronson referred to the meeting held on November 19, 1974, as a informal or "secret"

meeting at which time the matter of salary increase first came up. He stated that he was soundly against the proposal unless modified to reflect the increase received by town employees. He said that the facts should have come out before the electorate, defeat the issue and get on with the job asked for by the electorate, and not seek a percentage "rake-off."

Coun. Fyfe moved that the matter be tabled until a report is received from the management consultant regarding the role of the mayor. Coun. Thronson stated that he was in favour of the tabling motion, Coun. Smith was opposed to the motion, and Coun. Wetsch was not in favour of the motion because he felt that it was premature.

Mr. Plain pointed out that the town management system outlined in the Woods-Gordon report was not consistent with the Canadian system of Government. Coun. Fyfe urged that the report be studied so that there would be a greater understanding of it.

Coun. Fyfe's motion to table the matter was defeated 3 to 4, Coun. Lukay, Thronson, and Fyfe voted in favour.

Coun. Wetsch moved that the matter be tabled for a

period of four weeks and a special meeting be held for assessment of full time mayor. The motion carried 6 to 1, Coun. Rod Thronson voted opposed.

The matter of the remuneration for councillors was moved for tabling for the same period of time by Coun. Lukay. The motion carried 4 to 3, Coun. Fyfe, Thronson, and Wetsch voted against.



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The Council will meet in early April to assess all applications received prior to the early March deadline. Announcement of successful applicants will be made following that meeting.

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Organizational meeting for growth policy

Two organizational meetings to drum up ideas on planning and growth workshops in the Edmonton Metropolitan area will be held in two MD of Sturgeon communities Jan. 29.

One will be held in the Morinville town office, the other at the Gibbons Legion Hall; both will begin at 7:30 p.m.

It is hoped that through these organizational meetings the public will be able to

make suggestions on how a successful workshop can be held in their own communities. Thirty-four of these workshops are slated throughout the Edmonton region in February. The workshops have been instigated by the Growth Studies Branch of the Edmonton Regional Planning Commission, and these workshops will be the crux of the growth policy to be established by the ERPC.

Classes open in child crafts

Registration for Children's classes with the Arts and Crafts Guild was held Sunday at Sir George Simpson School. All children's ceramics classes are filled. However, there is still room in all other children's classes, such as model aircraft building, multicrafts, puppetry, pre-school arts and crafts. Complete course lists are available at the St. Albert Public Library or the Town

Recreation Department. Phone Lois Folkins at 459-7344 to register or for further information. Registration for adult and teen classes will be held at Sir George Simpson School Sunday, Jan. 26, from 2 - 5 p.m.

The St. Albert Public Library is presently featuring a display of the various arts and crafts activities offered by the St. Albert Arts and Crafts Guild.

Public Lecture to Focus on Roman Architecture

The architectural aspect of the grandeur that was Rome will be delineated in a public lecture Friday, February 7 at the University of Alberta.

Dr. J. B. Ward-Perkins, a man considered to be one of the foremost scholars in Roman archaeology in the world today, will develop the theme "Taste, Tradition and Technology in Roman Architecture."

His lecture which is free will be presented at 11 a.m., in Room HC L1 of the Humanities Centre.

Dr. Ward-Perkins, who was director of the British School in Rome from 1946 until his retirement last year, has directed excavations at sites in England, Italy, North Africa and Turkey. He is widely published in Roman and early Christian architecture and archaeology.

He has been honoured numerous times for contributions in the fields of Roman town planning, Roman Tripolitania and central Italian historical topography.

Aircraft Maintenance Facility opened in Edmonton

A 1.8 million dollar aircraft maintenance facility has been officially opened on Edmonton's Industrial Airport. The maintenance complex is owned by the City of Edmonton and consists of two hangars joined down the middle by specialized shops and offices. The facility is

leased to Pacific Western Airlines on a long term basis.

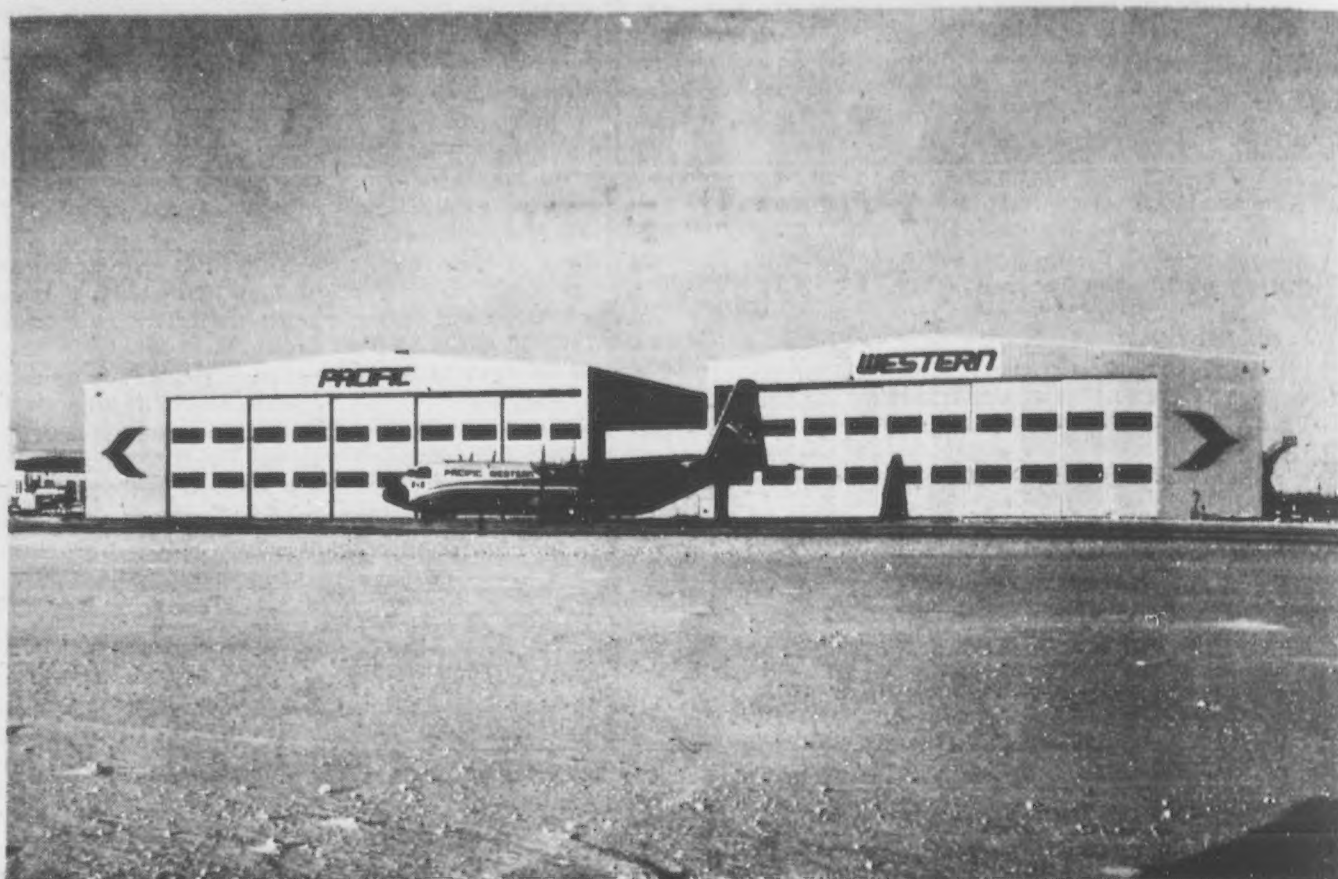
The hangar consists of 91,000 square feet including a shop area of 13,000 square feet; store 12,000 square feet; 7,000 square feet of office area and 16,000 square feet miscellaneous. Each

hangar accommodates four Boeing 737 jet aircraft or three Lockheed Hercules on one side and four Boeing 737's on the other.

The maintenance complex will service Pacific Western Airlines' Boeing 737's, Boeing 727's, Lockheed Hercules

Freighters, Lockheed Electras and Convairs. The complex employs over 200 persons.

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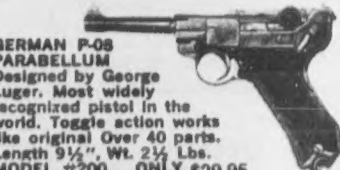
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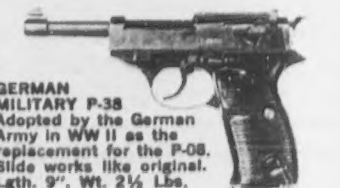
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Committee brief airs kindergarten problems for education minister

The St. Albert Kindergartens Umbrella Committee representing four kindergartens in town, last week

presented a brief to the Hon. Lou Hyndman, Minister of Education, bringing to his attention some of the problems the town kindergarten

are currently experiencing.

The timing of regulation changes related to various operational procedures of

Early Childhood Services was criticized. For example, rules and regulations governing the certification of teachers involved in the

E.C.S. programs are often received long after the commencement of the kindergarten year.

Regulations governing grants are another problem. E.C.S. operators presently receive \$600 for the equivalent of a full-time child to cover expenses. This is inconsistent with funds provided for elementary children of over \$700 a child. The present regulations require kindergartens to submit a monthly enrolment report for grant payments. A significant drop in student enrolment in the kindergarten program during the term could result in the operators not being able to meet their financial commitments based on budgets approved prior to commencement of the kindergarten year. The grants made to the kindergartens have been slow in arriving. The payment due for September 1974 for the St. Albert Protestant Kindergarten was received on October 15th.

Inconsistencies in physical space recommended by recognized authorities of ECS programs, and that allowed by the School Buildings

Board, was another bone of contention and the umbrella committee does not favour the present situation where school districts have the option to negate involvement in ECS programs. In particular the committee is unhappy with the lack of interest shown by District 6 (Protestant School Board). Recently that district has agreed to assist but it is not as involved to the same extent as District 3.

The committee also voiced its criticism of the ECS administration.

Lack of communication and guidance topped the list of grievances. The kindergarten operators are still without a policy handbook.

The umbrella committee comprises the Parish Kindergarten, Creative School Society, Pre-School Education Society and the Protestant Kindergarten Society. Kay Romerli, Beth Cunningham, Joan McFetridge, Rick Christians and Gerry Menage represented the committee at the meeting with the Minister and they are optimistic that their brief will receive sympathetic attention.

Heart disease reaches epidemic proportions

On Wednesday, January 15, the Heart Fund Chairmen from St. Albert attended a luncheon at the Chateau Lacombe, when the guest speaker was Dr. Russell

Taylor from the University Hospital. Dr. Taylor spoke on the Number One Killer -- Heart Disease. Heart Disease has now reached epi-

demio proportions. The majority of funds raised through the Heart Fund Canvas is used for research and education. It is becoming increasingly important that the

public is educated on the prevention of Heart Disease.

"Heartline" is again operating this year. By phoning 429-6661, a caller receives weekly tips to reduce risk of Heart Disease through more careful selection and preparation of foods, weight control, and changes in lifestyle.

Having heard that there is an excellent Cardiac Unit in the Sturgeon General Hospital, the Kinettes and the Lady Lions were interested in learning more about this facility. An informative tour was conducted by Mrs. Fleck and Mrs. Houle. There are three well equipped Cardiac beds in the Intensive Care Unit on the third floor. The nurses here receive continuous in-service training which enables them to competently care for the patients.

It is reassuring to know that these services are available should they be required.

The Kinettes and the Lady Lions are still looking for canvassers for the Heart Fund Blitz Night on Feb. 18, particularly in the newer areas. If you can assist in this worthwhile cause please contact: Thelma Bossert, 459-4371; Shirley Parkins, 459-3958; Alda Myrthue, 459-7834.

Regular Events

MOTHERS DAY OUT - 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. United Church. Volunteers call 459-7476. Bookings 459-4534.

MONDAY - 7:45 p.m. Cam Lacombe, Bingo in Parish Hall.

WEDNESDAYS - Community League BINGO, Community Hall, St. Albert.

Parents plan bilingual kindergarten

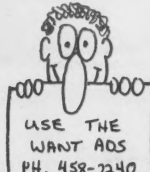
A group of parents has shown an interest in having a Bilingual Kindergarten set up for their children within St. Albert. Tentative plans are already underway. However, before any further progress can be made, it needs to be known how many

children this service will involve. If you as a parent are interested in having your child enrolled in a bilingual kindergarten, which will have an approved Early Childhood Services program, starting September 1975, please phone Bette-Jo Drisdelle at 458-0679, or Lorraine Hebert at 459-5491.



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St. Albert W.I. thanks all who helped senior citizens rec. centre

The St. Albert Women's Institute would like to take this opportunity to thank all the clubs that provided volunteer workers and the individuals who volunteered

their time for the construction of the RCMP Century Senior Citizens Recreation Centre. There were approximately 5,500 man hours volunteered to complete this

project.

For all the donations received in the way of construction materials, furnishings, flowers, good advice, and to John Beedle and the Recreation Department, a very special thank you.

We would also wish to thank all those who braved the rain and ice to share our excitement at the official opening on January 19, which made it such a huge success.



Rev. John Barford dedicated the new Senior Citizens Recreation building on Sunday afternoon with a prayer invoking the Lord's blessing on those who worked to provide the Centre and those who would use it. A large crowd filled the Centre to capacity for the impressive program arranged by the Women's Institute for opening day.



Town of St. Albert FIRE CHIEF

Due to the rapid rate of growth, the Town requires a Fire Chief to recommend, oversee and implement the re-organization and administration of its expanding Fire Department. The successful candidate will have a proven record in all of the aforementioned attributes. The closing date for this competition is January 24, 1975. Salary presently under review.

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International Airport improvements

A \$2.375 million plan which includes using three passenger transfer vehicles to handle increasing traffic at Edmonton's International Airport was announced by Don Dewar, Regional Administrator for the Ministry of Transport's Western Region.

The passenger transfer vehicles (PTVs), essentially mobile waiting rooms, will cost just over \$1.5 million. They will be used to move passengers to and from aircraft and the terminal building, greatly increasing passenger movement efficiency.

Alterations to the terminal building (which will not drastically alter its structure) include: a two-level "docking" facility for arrival and departure; a terminal service centre including communications equipment to control movements of the PTVs, to be built on the existing observation deck; and the purchase of existing aircraft loading bridges, will all cost an additional \$834,000. The system is expected to be operational in six months.

Figures supplied by the airlines show Edmonton International now has 104 movements a day, a 100% increase since March, 1973, charter flights not included.

Introduction of the large wide-bodied jets carrying well over 300 passengers; Pacific Western Airlines' movement of its northern operations from Edmonton International Airport; awarding of trans-border routes to three U.S. carriers plus Air Canada's new route from Edmonton to San Francisco have all had a major impact on the ability of the terminal building to handle the increasing flow of passengers.



THE TALE of Christmas past: Christmas trees were piled up by the town this week on this site south of Mission Avenue near the Sturgeon River. They'll stay there till next month when they are expected to be used in a Breakfast Lions bonfire.

Department of Music to stage Mozart Opera

An opera laced with satire, romance and slapstick comedy will be staged at the University of Alberta Wednesday, Feb. 5 and Thursday, Feb. 6.

Mozart's "Cosi Fan Tutte" will be sung in English by a cast made up largely of graduate students and senior undergraduates of the university's department of music, voice-opera division.

Both performances are scheduled to start at 8 p.m.

in Convocation Hall in the Arts Building on campus.

The opera, a comedy in two acts, is also known by the titles "Schools for Lovers" and "Women are Like That." It was first heard in Vienna in 1790 and has been included in the repertory of many opera houses. The story deals with four young people in love and an older friend who bets that women, no matter how much in love, can be seduced.

Each performance will be accompanied by the St. Cecilia Orchestra under the direction of Alfred Strinberg. Rowland Holt Wilson is the stage director and John Madill is the designer.


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Paul Kane Highlights

By Allen Skinner
As the days of the first semester at Paul Kane High School fade, and become memories of time, they act as markers reminding us that our time is almost over. All the hard work and frustrations endured by both staff and students in the first semester are merely not forgotten, but placed in our minds as yet another time in our lives.

The regular classes for the first semester will be finished on Wednesday, Jan. 22, with the final exams commencing on Thursday, Jan. 23, continuing on Friday, Jan. 24 and extending to Monday, Jan. 27 and Tuesday, Jan. 28.

Students will be able to pick up their report cards on either Friday, Jan. 31 or Monday, Feb. 3, being that classes will recommence on Tuesday, Feb. 4. At either of these two times, students are also instructed to pick up their texts for the second semester.

The Students' Union is planning a Winter Carnival sometime in February, although the exact date has not been set. This carnival has suggestions of hosting such events as hockey games, broomball games, and hot dog eating contests. Providing there is a good turnout, the Students' Union should have yet another successful event.

The Ski Club at Paul Kane has been busy the last while planning for their next ski trip. Their first trip of the school year, was to Jasper with Mr. J. Wiltshire and Mr. P. Douglas as supervisors. This trip was made on Dec. 20 - 24. The general comment was a great trip, as all had a good time.

The next ski trip planned will be to White Fish Falls, Montana. Mr. J. Wiltshire and Mr. P. Douglas will again be supervising along with the assistance of Mr. R. Prather. This trip will be made on Friday, Jan. 31 - with students and staff arriving back late Sunday, Feb. 2. The cost of the trip will be \$51. and there will be about 78 people in total going on this trip.

In the line of sports, the basketball teams have been increasingly engaged with practices and games. The junior boys team has played two games so far, one against Jasper Place Composite High and the other with McNally but unfortunately lost both games. The coach for the team, Mr. Heworth, comments that they are steadily improving.

The junior girls basketball team is coached this year by Mrs. Baldwin. Although the practices have not numbered to be that many, the coach, claims her team shouldn't do too bad and she's rooting for them all the way. Their first game will be played on Friday, January 10 at St. Albert High against St. Albert High. If they lose, it won't be by much.

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of them, will be on pre-sale this month. In any event, they will have quite a lot to record.

Carolyn Seitz.

Yearbooks, or the promise

Accent on Akins

Students of Lorne Akins Junior High School celebrated their release from bondage on December 20, as they frolicked their feet off with a two hour dance. That over, they limped home to soak their feet and enjoy Christmas for 16 days.

Now, festive lights and trees are down and the students are trudging through the snow to again wreck havoc in the halls. Already, they are creating more ideas for their dissipation. Plans

are being laid for another dance on the evening of February 12, this time in "celebration" of love and Valentine's Day. "The Great Canadian River Race" will preside over the revelling entourage.

The same day, the Winter Carnival will allow both students and teachers to revert to their childhood and frolic in the snow.

A more civilized form of winter entertainment is endorsed by members of the

Ski Club, who hope to have their first trip to Lake Eden this Thursday. Tentative feelers are also exploring the possibilities of the school's ski freaks enjoying a trip to Jasper for two days.

Yearbooks, or the promise

Smoking Habits of Canadians

Smoking habits of Canadians have remained relatively unchanged from 1972 to 1973, according to statistics released today by National Health and Welfare Minister Marc Lalonde. The latest figures show that non-smokers outnumber smokers in Canada: 53 per cent of the population 15 years of age and over does not smoke at all, and 60 per cent of the population over 15 does not smoke cigarettes regularly - that is, every day.

The 57.8 per cent of the smoking male population in 1973 was divided as follows: 47.8 per cent regular cigarette smokers, compared to 47.4 per cent in 1972 and 54.6 per cent in 1965; 3.8 per cent occasional cigarette smokers, compared to 3.5 per cent in 1972 and 3.3 per cent in 1965; 6.2 per cent smoked only pipe and/or cigars, compared to 6.5 per cent in 1972 and 7.3 per cent in 1965.

From 1965 to 1972, the rising percentages of women smokers were outweighed by lower rates for men, to produce lower over-all figures each successive year. The 1973 statistics show a halt to this trend. While the levels of smoking are close to 1972 levels, the over-all downward trend has levelled off with marginal increases in many categories.

Statistics, prepared for the Non-Medical Use of Drugs Directorate by Statistics Canada, indicate that those who do smoke, however, appear to be smoking more cigarettes per day. There has been a

rise in the percentage of smokers having from 11 to 25 cigarettes a day and a decrease in the percentage of the ones smoking from 1 to 10 cigarettes a day. The

change of the percentage of heavy smokers (more than 25 a day) was negligible.

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Sports

The child and sport

By Marty Lyons,
Assistant Basketball Coach
University of Alberta.

Recently in the comic strip "Funky Winkerbean," the principal of the high school was welcoming the students back from the summer vacation. In the text of his speech he explains how hard the teachers were working to create a learning environment that would promote growth and maturity and help the students decide what they wanted to do with their lives. . . . this the principal said he would like them to have done by next Tuesday so that scheduling for classes could begin.

For many of us the question about life and what should be done with it is one of the enigmas of today's society. Obviously the major problem which will have to be dealt with is time - time to realize what life is all about. This will have to be experienced today in our education system, the business world and the world of sport. The capitalistic system has changed our thinking from that of the traditionalist society of feudal times to a society of individuals, many of whom are left at a distance not only from themselves but also from their fellow man. This society is a competitive one geared to produce winners not losers.

The spirit of competition has brought with it the highly paid professional athlete and the glory of success. The glamour of sport and the prestige of winning has led to the downfall of many young athletes. This is especially so during the formative years when the child is in the process of developing a lifestyle. It is not the sport which creates the vacuum of alienated society, but rather the society that functions in the sport. The administrators, coaches and parents have in many cases reined a worthwhile experience for the youngsters, by playing the best players or teams to accomplish their selfish objectives, to win or be the best.

To win is a great ideal toward which to strive, but to hinder the growth of the individual in early childhood just for the sake of winning, is too great a sacrifice. Through sport a child can have a valuable experience if the setting is congruent with his age, size and peer group. The whole spectrum, coaches administrators and the physical set-up should be in harmony with the child's growth rate. Besides facing the external pressure of the twentieth century sport itself the child experiences the internal frustrations of trying to execute the fundamentals

of the sport.

A sport which has been geared to the child's growth and development is basketball. For years children have been forced to compete in the world of adult basketball, now in Canada as well as in other parts of the world it has become a "fun" game for children.

MINI-BASKETBALL

The game of mini-basketball is based on the original game but is limited to and adapted to children, boys and girls, from grades one to seven, age 12 and under. The facilities and materials used by the players are scaled down to their physical abilities. The court is not as long and wide as the regulation one. The ball is smaller and the backboard is one and a half feet shorter than the regulation one. The teams are composed of 10 players each.

This type of innovation can be adapted to other sports as well.

It is a chance for parents, administrators and coaches to foster a positive experience in sport at an early age.

"Winning or losing is only temporary, friendship is everlasting."

[Note: this article was reprinted from the magazine "Recreation Alberta."]



The St. Albert Figure Skating Club is to be congratulated on the program of exhibition figure skating which played to a full house in the arena on Saturday afternoon. Louise and Barry Soper were as usual superb and they had an excellent supporting cast which, as well as visitors from other clubs, included members of our local club who proved to be real troups and gave performances of which St. Albert may be very proud. If Saturday afternoon's performance was a forerunner of things to come, the figure skating carnival, scheduled for April, will be well worth seeing.



THE STURGEON RIVER was transformed this week when town crews cleared it for public skating. Many people took advantage of the natural "arena."

BLUE SKIES and mild weather over last weekend brought out the winter sports enthusiasts in St. Albert. Here the tobogganers and onlookers look like ants on a giant meringue pie on the hill just north of Mission Avenue.

Acupuncture course commences February

The Continuing Education Division of Grant MacEwan Community College will offer a course on Acupuncture commencing in early February.


The course is intended to acquaint students with the history, principles and techniques of acupuncture as well as other related practices including Shiatsu (massage) at the acupuncture points).

Discussion will encompass the place of acupuncture in Chinese medicine, the theory of Yin and Yang, the selection of the major ac-

upuncture points and complementary points and the more recent theories and research. Various techniques will be demonstrated in class, but students will NOT learn how to handle the needle.

The 10 week course, to be held at the College's Assiniboia Campus, 10766-97 Street, beginning Tuesday, Feb. 4 from 7 to 9 p.m. at a cost of \$20. Interested persons are advised to register in advance as there is a class limit of 20 students.

For further information please call the Continuing Education Division at 484-7791.



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ST. ALBERT RECREATION REPORT

OUTDOORS

with Don Hayden

ARTS & CRAFTS

Registrations for teen and adult classes will be taken at Sir George Simpson School on Sunday, Jan. 26 from 2-5 p.m. An advertisement appeared in the Gazette issue on Jan. 8 giving information about the classes being offered. Fuller descriptions of the courses are available at the Town Hall and at the library.

After the registration for children's classes held on Jan. 19, a few openings remain in the following: woodworking, model aircraft, children's art, puppetry, multicultural and arts and crafts for preschoolers. For information and to register phone Lois Folkins at 459-7344.

PHYSICAL CULTURE

The first physical culture class for ladies is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 23 from 8-9:30 p.m. in Sir George Simpson School.

Because the enrolment is small and because physical culture is extremely difficult to describe, the first class will be a "free" night when anyone who is curious about this particularly attractive way of exercising can come and watch or participate - wear comfortable clothing which allows freedom of movement.

Physical culture is a series of movements performed to music which result in improvement of poise and posture and is a very graceful way of attaining flexibility as well as good muscle tone.

St. Albert is fortunate that Margaret Thomson is finding time to come here on Thursday evenings to conduct classes. She introduced this form of exercise to Western Canada a few years ago and since then its popularity has grown enormous, and she herself is in great demand throughout the region for classes, seminars and workshops.

Come and see for yourself what physical culture really is - it's fun - and bring your friends. The 10 week course costs \$10 (17 year olds can join at a fee of \$6) but the first night will be free for everybody.

HERCULES SPORTS ASSOCIATION

A meeting of the association will be held in Grandin Clubhouse (beside the swimming pool) on Sunday, Jan. 26 at 2 p.m. and managers and coaches of soccer and girls' softball, sponsored by the association, are asked to attend. With the rapidly increasing participation in these activities, support in organization appears to be necessary.

It is important, too, that parents of children involved in these sports attend and find out what the association is all about and the role it plays in the life of our community - especially among the young people.

Perhaps, as parents, you may find that you can contribute towards the unquestionable success of the association. Too often the work involved in organizing activities for youth falls on the shoulders of a dedicated few.

Your children need the association; the association needs you.

So do come to the meeting on Sunday, have a cup of coffee and find out more about the wonderful world of Hercules.

CHILDREN'S GYM

There is still room for a few more children in the class for the 6-8 year olds held in Vital Grandin School from 4-4:45 p.m. The class started on Tuesday, Jan. 21 but it is still possible to register at the Recreation Department in the Town Hall at a fee which, originally \$5 for 10 lessons, will be adjusted.

Unfortunately there are not enough names on the waiting list to justify the formation of a second class for 4's and 5's.

GOLF

The annual learn-to-golf school will be held in March. There will be further announcements when arrangements have been finalized.

WRITERS' COURSE

A creative writing course is being held on Mondays from 7:30-9:30 p.m. in Room 109 at Paul Kane High School. Participants will receive instruction in writing techniques and useful information about marketing the finished products.

The fee is \$18 and although one lesson of the 10 week course has already been held, it is still possible to register at the next class next Monday.

CROSS COUNTRY SKIING

Although there was a rather small turnout at the meeting of the St. Albert Nordic Ski Club held on Jan. 17, interest in cross country skiing shows no sign of abating. Sixty-five people attended the recent clinic which, in spite of the unseasonable rain, was very successful. Another clinic will be held at a later date when, it is hoped, the weather will be more co-operative.

The new track setter is a big success and works very well - even though it was tried out under very adverse conditions (the rain again!).

For the purpose of tours, trails, etc., St. Albert is now divided into three areas: Sturgeon Section (east of the highway); Bishop Section (Mission and Lacombe Parks) and Grandin Section (west of the highway). Area co-ordinators are being appointed whose names and telephone numbers will be published when available. In the meantime, phone Ken Rothwell at 459-5131 for information.

Ken is also membership chairman and will gladly sign up anyone interested in joining the club. Membership fees are: family \$5, single adult \$3, student \$1.

Members wishing to participate in the CSA Fitness Award program are reminded that to qualify for awards at the end of the skiing year, all dates and distances of outings must be recorded.

The next club outing will take place on Sunday. Members meet at Sir Alexander Mackenzie School at 1 p.m.

where car pools will be arranged to transport them to Devon for an afternoon's skiing. (A packed lunch might be advisable if you're worried about pangs of hunger).

BRIDGE

Information has been received at the recreation department about forthcoming events in the world of bridge and anyone interested in participating is asked to call at the office of the recreation department where the information is available. The events are too numerous to mention in the space available.

ARENA ACTIVITIES

Hockey fans may be interested in the following games being played in the arena during the coming week: Friday, Jan. 24 at 7:30 p.m. the St. Albert Bruins play Waterloo; Sunday, Jan. 26 at 4:30 p.m. the Bantam BB Fire Chiefs play Camrose and on the same day the St. Albert Comets play Barhead at 7:30 p.m. On Tuesday, Jan. 28, the St. Albert Bruins again play Waterloo.

Y-NEIGHBOURS

Y Neighbours, sponsored by the YWCA start meeting next week. One group meets on Monday, Jan. 27 and a second meets on Tuesday, Jan. 28.

These two hour weekly programs are held in the Community Hall on Perron Street and allow muses to get together for keep fit etc., while their preschoolers are looked after. Phone the YWCA at 422-8176 for information.

Early this year the Alberta Land Use Forum will hold public hearings in various centres in the province. The Forum was formed by the Alberta Government to hear public expression on land use and to make recommendations to the Government.

The Alberta Fish and Game Association has responded to the Government's call for briefs even before the hearings began. In December, 1974 the association met with several Cabinet Ministers to present their views. They felt that their message could not wait for the formal report to Government out of the Forum.

The Fish and Game request was that the Provincial Government provide payment to land owners for leaving marginal lands undisturbed. The association executive had in the past presented resolutions that asked for tax breaks to farmers who left land in its natural state to provide habitat for wildlife.

"Unless we find a way of rewarding the man on private land for preserving natural values, we will not only lose these public resources but, with it, the respect for the private ownership tradition. Failure of private lands to accommodate some natural values will increase the demands for withdrawal of public lands from agricultural use and for the creation of more parks to preserve disappearing resources."

The association and the provincial Fish and Wildlife

Division "have for two decades preached the habitat gospel and all this time everyone has nodded a head and agreed. It's time we put our money where our mouth is."

As to method of payment, the association proposed funds be transferred through the local taxing authority either as a tax rebate or a credit. The amount would be based on approval by the local assessor and acreage verification by a technician. Acreage and benefit as habitat would be the criteria applied in determining payment.

The brief suggested that in addition to stopping loss of habitat, the scheme might slow down "the unwarranted subdivision of agricultural land."

The Alberta Fish and Game outlined four priorities it said should apply to land use.

The first was the land owner compensation program. The second was that no public lands be disposed

of and that any leases of Crown lands be subject to multiple use management.

"We cannot condone the lease which is a privilege granted to the corporation or individual for his gainful use". A lease should not grant exclusive use and control but should be available to other part-time resource users. The third priority in regard to land use: a method must be found to protect marginal areas along stream - where there is deterioration of banks or water quality. Landowners should not be expected to cover the cost or inconvenience of fencing off these areas. The fourth point was that hunters and fishermen should insist on some financial help from the public, just as they contribute to habitat funds when purchasing licenses.

"Wildlife deserves better than its present priority in Alberta's economics. It deserves better than the problem status to which it has been relegated."

ST. ALBERT "Y" NEIGHBOURS

Keep Fit registration to begin Monday, January 27 or Tuesday, January 28 from 9:15 to 11:15 a.m. in St. Albert Community Hall. Fee \$8 plus \$2 for each child.

NOTE: The Monday program will include one hour of keep fit followed by a speaker. The Tuesday class will not have a speaker but one hour of keep fit, coffee and a varied program of sports, games. Monday instructor Christine Marshall; Tuesday instructor, Bonnie Childs.

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KINSMEN MINOR HOCKEY



Kinsmen Minor Hockey statistics include all game sheets placed in arena box as of 4 p.m. Monday, January 20, 1975.

Shaver scoring will appear in next week's Gazette. Any errors in team standings please call Larry Mitchell 459-4941.

NOTE: Shaver games include games of Dec. 8/74 to Jan. 20/75. Does not include games prior to Dec. 8.

SHAYER:	GP	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Lions	7	6	0	1	13	78	22
Beavers	7	5	1	1	11	36	16
Canucks	8	5	2	1	11	35	32
Broncos	8	5	2	1	11	51	22
Colts	6	5	1	0	10	31	21
Wolves	8	5	3	0	10	45	20
Badgers	7	2	4	1	5	15	30
Bruins	6	2	3	1	5	34	28
Flyers	7	2	5	0	4	21	57
Seals	7	1	6	0	2	15	58
Canadians	8	1	7	0	2	20	62
Tigers	6	0	6	0	0	18	42

MITE A:	GP	W	L	T	P	GF	GA
Willowbrook Home Saints	9	8	1	0	16	56	20
St. Albert Warriors	10	6	2	2	14	38	21
St. Albert Carpet Kings	11	6	3	2	14	42	33
Johston's Meat Balls	9	4	4	1	9	24	29
Team Seven	10	4	5	1	9	37	36
New Holland Combines	10	4	5	1	9	27	39
St. Albert Hornets	9	1	7	1	3	16	31
Scriven's Magnets	8	1	7	0	2	12	43

MITE B:	GP	W	L	T	P	GF	GA
Medical Centre Monarchs	9	7	1	1	15	22	13
Sabres	8	6	0	2	14	29	13
Dairy Queen	9	6	2	1	13	29	13
Sturgeon Electric Flashers	8	5	1	2	12	28	13
Warriors	8	3	4	1	7	18	16
Buxton Eager Beavers	9	1	6	2	4	14	41
Hawks	8	0	6	2	2	5	21
Hustlers	9	0	8	1	1	9	25

PEEWEE A:	GP	W	L	T	P	GF	GA
St. Albert Sportshop Barons	12	8	2	2	18	54	25
Pacific 66 Petes	11	7	2	2	16	38	24
Pro-Western Pellets	12	7	4	1	15	36	27
Bashers	12	6	4	2	14	32	31
Sturgeon Sod Busters	12	3	6	3	9	19	34
Team Five	11	3	6	2	8	16	22
St. Albert Lion Tamers	10	3	6	1	7	21	36
St. Albert Saints	10	1	8	1	3	13	35

PEEWEE B:	GP	W	L	T	P	GF	GA
Cox Plumbing Pipers	6	5	1	0	10	24	10
Melton Leaders	7	5	2	0	10	30	19
Vagabonds	7	4	2	1	9	24	16
Sharks	6	4	2	0	8	19	13
Winnebago Warriors	4	2	2	0	4	11	16
St. Albert Fire Chiefs	7	1	5	1	3	15	36
Legion	5	1	4	0	2	23	24
St. Albert Tex-a-go-go	6	0	4	2	2	6	17

BANTAM A:	GP	W	L	T	P	GF	GA
Safeway Seals	7	6	1	0	12	33	19
Team Four	8	4	2	2	10	26	20
Canucks	9	4	3	2	10	21	19
Grandin Park Furniture	7	2	3	2	6	15	16
St. Albert Inn Keepers	7	2	5	0	4	21	27
Grandin Gulf Blazers	6	1	5	0	2	11	26

BANTAM B:	GP	W	L	T	P	GF	GA
Chris's Grocery Comets	6	3	1	2	8	19	12
Dragon Palace Dragons	7	4	3	0	8	29	14
Hawks	4	3	1	0	6	15	12
Team One	4	2	0	2	6	9	6
Safeway Maple Leafs	5	2	3	0	4	10	14
Harsim Const. Northstars	6	0	6	0	0	5	26

MIDGET:	GP	W	L	T	P	GF	GA
Red Onion Rebels	10	8	2	0	16	30	12
Merriman Electric Thunderbolts	10	6	3	1	13	23	22
Sturgeon Meat Merchants	9	6	3	0	12	32	29
Bermont Broncos	10	5	4	1	11	35	32
Gazette Grizzlies	10	2	7	1	5	19	32
Macleod's Hiawathas	9	0	8	1	1	13	30

JUVENILE:	GP	W	L	T	P	GF	GA
Tundra Transport	5	4	1	0	8	23	15
P photo Ident Passports	6	2	3	1	5	13	20
L.B.H. 2 x 4's	5	1	3	1	3	13	20

TOP TEN SCORERS

MITE A:	G	A	P
M. Poulin (Saints)	32	5	37
E. Viverios (Seven)	13	8	21
D. Laplante (Kings)	14	5	19
A. Sage (Meat Balls)	13	2	15
A. Banks (Meat Balls)	11	2	13
T. Rouault (Saints)	8	3	11
C. Rusnak (Saints)	8	3	11
J. Hartley (Warriors)	6	5	11
R. Sopliwynk (Seven)	7	3	10
B. Daley (Saints)	4	6	10

MITE B:	G	A	P
R. Bruyer (Flashers)	16	6	22
P. Beauchemin (Warriors)	9	4	13
T. Gusikoski (Sabres)	8	4	12
W. Plageman (Dairy Queen)	7	5	12
R. Boddez (Sabres)	7	4	11
E. Kotylak (Dairy Queen)	7	3	10
R. Pelletier (Sabres)	6	4	10
D. Weismantle (Monarchs)	6	4	10
S. Parks (Sabres)	6	3	9
G. Lockart (Monarchs)	7	0	7

PEEWEE A:	G	A	P
Myron Polls (Barons)	24	11	35
M. Brown (Barons)	7	9	16
M. Bury (Bashers)	10	5	15
Marvin Polls (Barons)	8	7	15
K. Bokenfohr (Pete's)	12	2	14
B. Biollo (Bashers)	10	4	14
G. McRae (Pellets)	7	6	13
C. Martin (Pete's)	3	10	13
R. Kampen (Pellets)	6	6	12
R. McRae (Pellets)	5	7	12

PEEWEE B:	G	A	P
J. Jennings (Legion)	15	4	19
M. Tueber (Leaders)	9	8	17
C. Popoff (Pipers)	7	5	12
B. Yurkiw (Pipers)	8	3	11
P. Gau (Vagabonds)	7	4	11
D. Sullivan (Leaders)	7	3	10
T. Dent (Texaco)	9	0	9
J. Wylie (Pipers)	8	1	9
I. Smith (Legion)	5	4	9

BANTAM A:	G	A	P
R. Kreway (Seals)	14	5	19
K. Middleton (Canucks)	7	3	10
C. Tooth (Four)	6	3	9
B. McCann (Four)	6	3	9
T. Shipanoff (Inn Keepers)	6	1	7
G. Derleu (Inn Keepers)	4	3	7
F. Opderhyde (Inn Keepers)	2	5	7
C. Beddard (Four)	4	2	6
D. Wakefield (Four)	2	4	6
M. Holden (Blazers)	3	2	5

BANTAM B:	G	A	P
S. Gannon (Comets)	9	5	14
B. Lesenko (Comets)	3	7	10
H. Brubaker (Hawks)	7	2	9
D. Tegler (Dragons)	4	4	8
A. Reeves (Dragons)	5	2	7
B. Suurhoff (Comets)	5	2	7
D. Bird (Dragons)	3	2	5
D. Wilson (Comets)	2	3	5
L. Wilson (One)	3	1	4

MIDGET:	G	A	P
T. Parayko (Merchants)	11	6	17
B. Iseke (Rebels)	9	7	16
L. LOShak (Broncos)	10	5	15
R. Bruinink (Rebels)	5	8	13
R. Dent (Merchants)	7	4	11
L. Frank (Merchants)	6	5	11
B. Galbraith (Grizzlies)	5	5	10
W. Sexsmith (Merchants)	7	2	9
M. Mitchell (Thunderbolts)	6	3	9
B. Sorenson (Rebels)	5	4	9

JUVENILE:	G	A	P
G. Hamel (Truckers)	4	2	6
D. Skinner (Truckers)	3	2	5
D. Provencal (Passports)	3	2	5
J. Smith (Truckers)	2	3	5
G. Muzichuk (2 x 4's)	3	1	4
R. Jones (2 x 4's)	3	1	4
M. Gibbon (Passports)	3	1	4
D. McCann (Passports)	3	0	3
T. MacPherson (2 x 4's)	2	1	3
S. Lister (2 x 4's)	2	1	3

St. Albert men Score Points in Snowmobile Races

The primary function of the North-Western Snowmobile Association is the establishment of competitive snowmobile events on a regional and inter-provincial scale. The "North-Western" will also function as a medium for the promotion of snowmobiling on social and club levels. The association is a non-profit organization, incorporated under the Laws of the province of Alberta and also registered in Saskatchewan, British Columbia, Northwest Territories and the Yukon.

No association can operate effectively without local club support and it is the desire of the "North-Western" to

foster and promote clubs and races by providing an effective means of Communication and advertising.

In the recent Mark Ten Championship Trail Event sanctioned by the NWSA at Toboggan Park, St. Albert men placed in the 340 c.c. Stock Class and the 250 c.c.

Super Modified. Mr. Andre Fortin and Mr. Don Mazepa, both on Skidoo's, took second places in their events at the meet held January 11 and 12.

Andre Fortin took second place on his Skidoo in the 340 c.c. Stock Class while Don Mazepa piloted his 250 c.c.

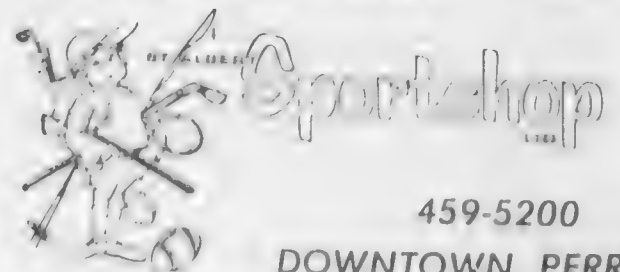
Super Modified Skidoo to finish second in that division. Because of a protest, the 440 c.c. Super Modified Class has been frozen and the results are not available.

A NWSA Sanctioned Points Race was held at Stampede Park in Calgary on January 18 and 19.

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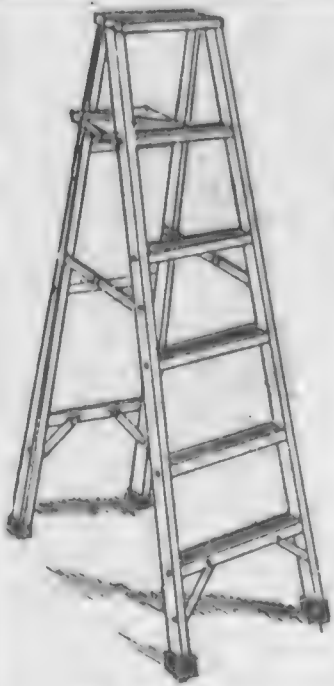
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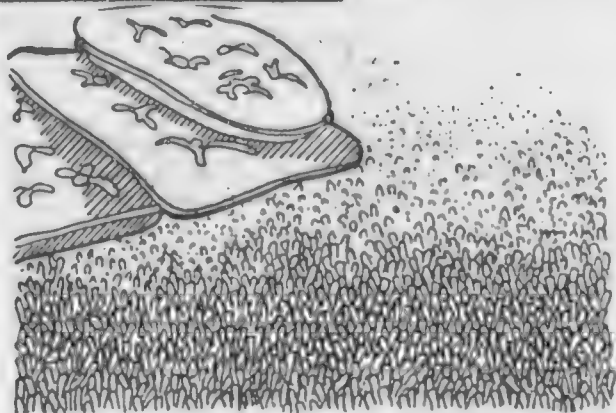
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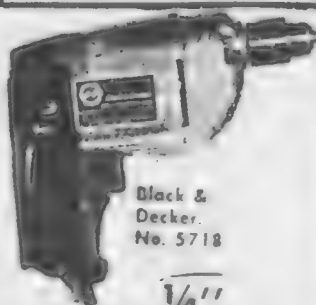
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If you contribute to a company pension plan, your total contributions to the company plan and the RRSP may not exceed 20 per cent of your earned income up to a maximum of \$2,500 a year.

If you belong to a company pension plan but do not contribute to it, you can contribute up to 20 per cent of your earned income to a maximum of \$2,500 a year.

If you receive pension plan benefits including Old Age Security, Canada or Quebec Pension Plan benefits, an allowance on retirement, severance pay or payment from a deferred profit sharing plan, either in a lump sum or in form of periodic payments which would be included in your income, you may defer tax by having this income transferred directly into an RRSP. This does not affect the maximum deductible contributions set out above.

In all these circumstances, the amount you contribute to an RRSP is not affected by your contributions to the Canada and Quebec Pension Plans.

DEDUCTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO AN RRSP

Contributions made during a particular year must be deducted in that year unless they exceed the limitation on contributions. You should

also note that contributions made within the first 60 days of a year must be deducted from the previous year's income unless the contribution limits is exceeded.

If you should miscalculate and contribute more than your deductible limit, several things could happen.

If, by December 31, you have put more than your deductible limit for that year into an RRSP, you cannot carry the excess forward. The excess is not deductible from income in that year or any subsequent year.

A different tax situation arises if you make your over-contribution within 60 days after the end of the calendar year. In this case, the balance could be carried forward and deducted from your income for the year in which the payment is made.

For example, if you contributed to an RRSP within 60 days after the end of 1974, your contribution would be claimed as a deduction for the 1974 taxation year. On the other hand, if your allowable deduction was \$2,500 and the contribution brought your total 1974 contributions to \$2,700, the difference of \$200 would be an allowable deduction for the 1975 taxation year. Of course, when calculating how much you will pay into your RRSP in 1975, you will have to remember the \$200, because it will be included in the 1975 limit.

RECEIPTS ARE NEEDED

To claim RRSP contributions as a deduction from your income, you must attach a receipt when you file your income tax return.

Sometimes this isn't easy. If you purchased an RRSP or contributed to one within 60 days after the end of the calendar year, you might just not receive the proper receipt by April 30. You would have been given an interim or temporary one, but if you file your income tax return and claim the deduction without including the proper receipt, your claim could be disallowed.

So, here's a quandary. What do you do?

Make every effort to obtain an official receipt before April 30. This should show the name and issuer of the RRSP; the signature of an authorized official (printed facsimiles are acceptable under certain conditions); name, address and social insurance number of the purchaser; the contract number; amount of premiums paid; and the date the premiums were paid or the taxation year to which they relate.

If you have not received an official receipt by the time you file your return, complete your return without claiming the deduction.

When you receive the receipt, simply write to your District Taxation Office, explain the situation and enclose the official receipt. Don't forget to include your name, address, Social Insurance Number and account number. If you receive an assessment notice from the Department before the RRSP receipt arrives, send the information to your District Taxation Office where an adjustment will be made.



St. Albert K40 Charter Members, photographed on formation night at St. Albert Inn are Rene Parenteau, left, Erling Winquist, Bill Kelcher, President Bob McMaster with banner, Bill Hite, Bruce Daley, Ron Levang and John Grave. Under the Kinsmen constitution members leave the active clubs at age 40, but retain their fellowship and a rapport with Kinsmen through the K40 organization.



The St. Albert K-ette Club was officially formed November 29, marked by the presentation of formation certificates and a bottle of Geritol by Kin Barry Welsh. Charter members are Vera Parenteau, left, Sharon Winquist, Betty Daley, Sharon McMaster and Coral Levang. Kinsman Dave Stewart proposed a toast to the new K40 and K-ette clubs, to which Ron Levang replied.

AROUND TOWN

The Gateway Association for the Mentally Handicapped is appealing to the residents of St. Albert for assistance in holding a skidoo party within the next few weeks. Needed are drivers and skidoo's, if anyone would like to volunteer to help out. The snowmobile party will give a large number of mentally handicapped children the opportunity to enjoy the fine weather we have been experiencing lately. Contact Mr. Degner (459-6396) or Mrs. L. MacDonald (459-5913).

Joanne Martineau, vocalist with Danny Boisvert's band, the Starlites, has a contract with CBC television and appeared Monday evening on the station's The New Class show. Local residents who took in the opening of the new Senior Citizens Recreation Centre enjoyed Joanne's renditions on Sunday afternoon.

The current spate of German measles around town is not playing any favourites. Margaret Plain saw her three boys through the routine and then came down with them herself. Asked if he thought that was the last of them in his household, the mayor replied with a fervent - I sure hope so!

Anyone who hasn't seen the new Senior Citizens Recreation Centre might like to drop in Saturday afternoon when it will be open from one until four o'clock and the Seniors President, Mrs. Lily Szuba will be presiding over the coffee urn. There is a games area with shuffleboard and piano ready to go, a crafts room complete with double sink, a fully equipped kitchen and washrooms, lounge area with nice view of the trees, entrance area with small office, leading from it and a larger meeting area with bandstand and dance area.

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SATURDAY, JAN. 25 - The new Senior Citizens Recreation Centre will be open from 1 - 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, JAN. 28 - The Women's Institute meets at the home of Marg Fechter, 2 Gillian Crescent at 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JAN. 28 - Meeting for volunteers for the annual Book Fair to be held March 2 at Sir George Simpson School. Everyone interested will be most welcome.

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St. Albert firm doing well in spite of energy crisis and rising costs.

The energy crisis doesn't seem to be affecting Pro-Western Plastics Ltd. of St. Albert adversely.

What with lay-offs in the auto-industry and increases in oil prices the world over, you would think that Pro-Western might be reflecting a bit of the gloom, as its plastic products, used across the four Western provinces in homes, institutions and industry, all come from an oil based resin - polyethylene.

But 77 year old secretary treasurer of the still expanding St. Albert firm Antoine J. Lacroix, as the New Year gets going, said that this looks to be a promising year for Pro-Western. Officially retired, he doesn't regard coming out to Alberta from New Brunswick six years ago

to set up what could be regarded as a family business; for Mr. Lacroix says that he still has a bit of business expertise to give to his 47 year old son, president of the company Don Lacroix, and his son 21 year old Paul, who is being worked into the total operation.

A few facts and figures about the firm tell the story of its expansion, scope and capacity over its first successful five years in St. Albert.

Now 45 people from St. Albert and surrounding district are employed by the company compared to 15 in its first year of production. And it soon became necessary to initiate a three shift system from the original once the demand for the

company's products soared.

The company now has eight injection mould machines compared to two in 1970 and the companies diversified production capability is due to its arrangement for exchange of moulds and technical data with the Quebec-based Industries Provincielles Ltd., one of the largest injection moulders in Canada.

If you go up to the plant located on 10 acres of land at Lakeview Drive you'll get some idea of the amount of raw materials it can handle. Hoppers coming into the 40,000 square foot building hold 150,000 lbs. of high or low density polyethylene which comes to Alberta from Sarnia, Ontario. Ironically, the oil for the raw material must first be piped east to be processed and of course this causes an upping in the price due to the hidden cost of freight rates.

The plant can also stockpile its raw materials in a 200,000 lb. capacity silo and with these figures in mind its not surprising that the firm used three million pounds of the raw material in production last year and also expects to hit the four million pound mark this year.

President of the company Mr. Lacroix is loathe to release figures on production costs, perhaps for obvious reasons, but says that at the present time more of the raw material is available than has been for some time. He said that Pro-Western had been on a 60-70 per cent allocation from its suppliers, but now, because of lay-offs in the auto industry, there is a glut of the resin on the market.

However costs of the resin have gone up steadily and Mr. Lacroix points out that another increase is slated for next month after three increases in the cost of the raw material in 1974.

Naturally this has affected the cost of the firms products - which range in variety from honey pails used by the honey industry in the province, to plastic snowshoes, dish pans, drain trays, hand basins, boot trays, mixing bowls, cereal bowls, cups, broom trees, multi-purpose containers and pails with covers, laundry baskets, wash tubs, clothes pins, dust pans and trash barrels. Two types of chairs are produced (with steel legs and frames) which are suitable for homes or institutions. Some of these can be seen in local restaurant facilities.

Mr. Lacroix also said that so far price hikes have not slowed down demand but that "the saturation point" had been reached.

Sales Manager for Pro-Western Herb Sewers who commutes to the plant from the city is optimistic for the future even though he points out that some Eastern firms are having to dump plastic products at ridiculously low prices because of the glut of the resin on the market. He says this is only a short time thing and that "people are not dummies anyhow".

Mr. Sewers said that in

1974 Pro-Western made three million containers in assorted sizes from the 3 lb. honey pail to the 5 gallon wax pail. He said that one of Pro-Westerns biggest accounts was with the Alberta Honey Co-op, which next to the dairy industry, provided the most lucrative market in the province.

Overseas Pro-Western is also making good progress. Their pails are being used world-wide, used to pack horsemeat in Switzerland and fish roe in Japan. In fact, as Mr. Sewers pointed out, on the basis of the firm's past successes, Pro-Western has just cornered a contract with the fishing industry in British Columbia, Pro-Western pails will be used to transport

herring roe back to Japan.

The firm also puts out 170,000 ice cream pails a month and has virtually doubled its industrial hardware output in the past two years. A 30 per cent increase in custom moulding is expected over 1974 and the firm is also thinking of manufacturing milk cases and had already got into the pop case industry in the latter part of 1974. Two and a half million containers of all sizes were made by Pro-Western in 1972 and last year this figure went up another half million with further increases slated for this year.

Providing Pro-Western can ride any expected or unexpected economic storms

this year and if more petro-chemical industries locate in Alberta the future for this St. Albert company looks comparatively bright.

However Company President Don Lacroix is keeping a watchful eye on the cost of packaging materials, pail handles, polyethylene and pigments for colouring. They're all going up in price and the only consolation is that Pro-Western is not the only company to feel the pinch of inflation and even recession. We're all, in the same boat is the attitude of Mr. Lacroix, but he's keeping his fingers crossed in spite of problems as Pro-Western Plastics makes sure that its head at least will remain above water.



THIS SILO AND hopper at the Pro-Western Plastics plant in St. Albert between them contain 350,000 lbs. of the oil based resin used for making the plant's plastic products. The plant will probably get through four million pounds of the resin before this year is out.



HOPING FOR a good year in the plastic container industry from left Secretary-Treasurer Antoine Lacroix, 76, of Pro-Western Plastics, St. Albert, president of the company Don Lacroix, 42, son of Antoine Lacroix, and representing the modern generation 21 year old Paul, Don's son. They came from New Brunswick in 1969 to sell and manufacture plastic containers and other plastic products across the western provinces.

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Increase in pension payments and family allowances

Increases in the Old Age Security Pension, Guaranteed Income Supplement payments and Canada Pension Plan, effective this month have been announced by Health and Welfare Minister Marc Lalonde.

Increases in Old Age Security Pension and Guaranteed Income Supplement payments represent the fifth quarterly escalation based on the cost of living, as provided for in the Old Age Security Act.

The new monthly total at the single rate for persons receiving both the basic Old Age Security pension and maximum Guaranteed Income Supplement will be \$204.27.

For a married couple who are both pensioners, the combination of the basic pension and maximum supplement will provide a payment of \$389.70 for the couple monthly.

The basic Old Age Security pension will rise in January to \$120.06 from the present \$117.02.

The maximum Guaranteed Income Supplement for a single person, or a married person whose spouse is not a pensioner, will go up in January to \$84.21 from its current \$82.08. The maximum supplement for a married couple, both pensioners, will increase to \$74.79 each from \$72.89. Added to the basic pension,

this will give each married pensioner \$194.85 monthly, or a total of \$389.70 for the couple.

CANADA PENSION PLAN

Some 600,000 pensioners and beneficiaries under the Canada Pension Plan will receive increases in their pension of 10.4 per cent. The current maximum Canada Pension Plan retirement pension will rise to \$121.1 a month as of January, 1975, from \$109.60.

The increase reflects the rise in cost of living in the last year and will apply to all persons in receipt of CPP benefits or pensions as of Dec. 31, 1974. The increase will be reflected in the

January cheques.

The combination of the adjusted Old Age Security pension and Canada Pension Plan retirement benefit will provide monthly payments of \$241.06 where the maximum 1974 CPP pension is payable.

Mr. Lalonde said that the escalation of benefits under the Canada Pension Plan, in line with the full increase in the cost of living, is the result of an amendment to the Plan last year. Previously, the escalation of benefits was limited to two per cent each year.

Of the estimated 600,000 persons who will be in receipt of CPP benefits at the end of December, some 365,000 are retirement pensioners, 96,000 are widows or

disabled widowers and 37,000 are disabled contributors. Another 95,000 benefits are for orphans and children of disabled contributors.

In addition, there are combined benefits, such as those of a widow in receipt of a retirement pension as well as a survivor benefit.

Increases in Family Allowances, were also announced by Mr. Lalonde. The increase is based on the cost of living increase since November 1973, as provided for in the Family Allowances Act.

Federal monthly allowances paid for children under the age of 18 will rise to \$22.08 from \$20 a month per child. Under a provision in the Family Allowances Act, a provincial government may ask the federal government to vary the family allowance rates payable in that province according to the age or the number of children in a family, or both, providing the family allowance payments in each province average \$22.08. Quebec and Alberta have chosen this option, and the new rates to be paid in Alberta are as follows:

AGE OF CHILD	RATE
0-6 yrs.	\$16.40
7-11 yrs.	\$20.80
12-15 yrs.	\$27.30
16-17 yrs.	\$30.60

Special Allowances, which are paid to foster parents and welfare agencies, government departments and institutions that are maintaining children, will also increase to \$22.08 from \$20, in all 10 provinces.



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Women's course offered at Edm. library

Several programs of interest to women and those interested in the contribution to society and the arts made by women are scheduled to take place at the Edmonton Public Library.

Women in Literature, a free-noon hour course, will be given Wednesdays and Fridays at the Central Library from January 22 until March 26. The series covers women authors and characters as depicted by both female and male authors.

Also featured will be such contemporary Canadian authors as Margaret Atwood, Margaret Laurence, Sheila Watson, Alice Munro and Gabrielle Roy.

A 10 week program covering sex and its status in our society will continue on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. at the Central Library commencing Jan. 22. The

series will examine the history and condition of people in quite different societies with particular emphasis on Canadian society. There is no fee for this series.

A 10 week course on women in art will be given on Tuesday evenings at 7:30

p.m. in the Central Library commencing Jan. 21. The course focuses on women in the visual arts, such as painting, sculpture, photography and film making. The course is Canadian in emphasis. Registration fee is \$15.

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Phone Centre concept to be introduced in St. Albert

Hon. Roy Ferran, Minister of Telephones and Utilities, announced on January 13 that telephone customers in several communities of Al-

berta will have the convenience of shopping for a telephone to be carried home and plugged in for fast service. The announcement

was made at the opening of Alberta Government Telephones first PhoneCentre located at the Chinook Shopping Centre in Calgary.

The revolutionary phone-Centre concept, now being tried in Calgary, will allow customers to select from a wide variety of telephone

sets on display, discuss their requirements with an AGT representative, then return home with their set to be plugged in to special jacks. The phoneCentre idea will be expanded to include seven urban centres in addition to Calgary in the next two or three years. Areas under consideration include St. Albert, Red Deer, Sherwood Park, Lethbridge, Grande

Prairie, Fort McMurray and Medicine Hat.

Besides the convenience of one-day service and a wide choice of telephones, phoneCentre customers will have reduced service charges and faster repair service. Before a phoneCentre can be introduced, special telephone jacks must be installed throughout the area to accommodate telephone sets



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Mountain parks open to snowmobilers

Most of the mountain National Parks will be opening their gates to snowmobilers this winter.

The parks have set aside special trails for over-snow vehicles and have introduced procedures for the safety of snowmobilers using the trails

"Because an oversnow vehicle can cause considerable damage to the environment if not operated properly we require that they remain on designated trails at all times," said William Turnbull, Director of Parks Canada's Western Region.

Some trails are quite long and wind deep into the backcountry. Although the scenery is beautiful, a mechanical failure could endanger a snowmobiler's life by stranding him in the icy wilderness. Park wardens suggest that snowmobilers not travel these trails alone with only one machine, that skis or snowshoes be carried to provide an alternate means of travel and that procedures for registration in each park be followed to the letter.

Registering at self-registration stations or with the park warden service on every trip where required will alert wardens when a snowmo-

biler is overdue and possibly in trouble. In this way, a quick rescue can be organized, Mr. Turnbull cautioned.

While registering, visitors may often obtain maps, information on trail conditions, weather reports, and details on possible avalanche hazards.

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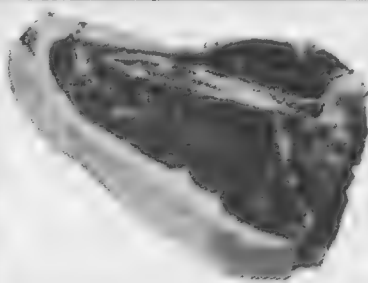
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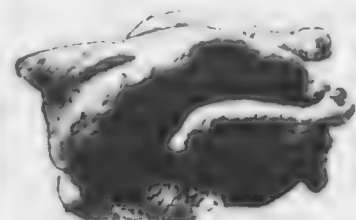
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Appaloosas, Appaloosas

By Bonnie Jacobs,
Morinville.

Not only is the Appaloosa the world's most colorful horse, but it stands without equal in Equine history.

By both fair means and war, Appaloosa horses were taken from their home countries. Yes, the famed Appaloosa was cherished in many countries, such as, China, France, England and Australia. Strangely enough, the spotted steed never did become popular in Africa, and in many parts of it still remain unknown to this day. A probable explanation is the extreme fighting and superstition that the horses seemed to carry with them.

Appaloosa survived the many in which he was encountered in, including the edict in 1877 that all Appaloosas that belonged to the Nez Perce Indians be destroyed.

On one occasion 400 or more head of Appaloosas were driven into a canyon and shot at until not one frightened, noble steed survived. Hundreds of others were caught and destroyed separately or bred to draft horses until the breed was almost extinct.

It was the U.S. army's endeavour to rid the Nez Perce of all their spotted horses to insure that the proud Indian tribe could never fight again. The loss of their horses seemed to hurt the Indians more than the loss of their freedom. The last words of Chief Joseph were "We not only gave up our freedom, we gave up our horses also and have not heard of them since. What has happened to our horses?" And so, one of the most ignorable points in the United States history, finds its way into the history of the Appaloosa.

Nine years later, after the form of the American Appaloosa Horse Club, in 1947, the Appaloosa Horse Club of Canada was organized.

Strange as it may seem, although the Appaloosa was

in Canada as early as 1876, it was not accepted with much enthusiasm. Moreover, it was one of the newest candidates for breed recognition in Canada.

For every true horse lover, the Appaloosa has carried a romantic message, as the noblest of war-horses of Indian days in North America. Appaloosa however, have also played major roles in Canadian history as well. To say the least, pages of Canadian Appaloosa history intermingle with those of the world famous Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Although currently the popular image is that of an RCMP Constable mounted on a dark brown bay or jet black horse, it was not the case before 1900.

Before that time the NWMP or RCMP as they are now called, have appeared many times in drawings and actual photos, astride a spotted horse.

But times have changed and with them so has the Appaloosa's popularity. By the end of this year, 1975, the pace of registration mail will indicate another year of solid growth for the Appaloosa breed, with registrations possibly reaching well over the 9,000 mark in Canada. Of course figures clash considerably with the number of horses registered a few generations ago.

Prompt handling in registration forms and transfers is kept well up to date weekly. Of course that has much to do with the excellent board of directors, and the way Registration Applications are filled out.

For 1974 it was a rewarding year for the APHCC or Appaloosa Horse Club of Canada. And the future looks even brighter! Growth is in all areas of activity, and

are on the increase, as well as membership. Canada now has 16 affiliated regional Appaloosa horse clubs, where as last year there were only 15. The National Appaloosa magazine has improv-



WARREN'S WAR DANCE, owned by Jo Warren, Langley, British Columbia, 1st Yearling Stallions, Palouse Empire Appaloosa Club Show, August 31, September 1, Okanogan, Wash.

ed, and the breed itself is becoming more outstanding.

Speaking of Appaloosa shows, over 60 all-Appaloosa shows were held across Canada through 1974. By this time next year the number of shows should have doubled, with futurities and regional shows coming on much stronger.

The Appaloosa shows much stamina and versatility, defeating top notch horses of other Equine breeds. Yes, the Appaloosa is boldly holding the grand title of a proven all-around versatile breed. The Appa-

loosa also stands out at horse auctions and stallion service auctions, by leaving the ring with the highest bids. Such an example is Prince Plaudit, who sold for \$260,000 and was later syndicated for \$300,000 with a stud fee of \$3,000.

The favorite of all APHCC Appaloosa shows is of course the National. The biggest attraction of this show lies in the fact that the best Appaloosas are competing for Canadian National recognition.

Last year at the National,

the Grand Champion stallion award went to Wapiti Senor owned by Caston Appaloosas, Ontario. Angel Rock took Grand Champion mare, for her owner J. Junker of Minn.

Most Colorful Appaloosa honors went to Kyloe Shebang from Manitoba. While Arapahoe Jess captured the grand title of Grand Champion Gelding and then went on to win The Ladies Pleasure Class and a third in Open Pleasure. The 1975 National Appaloosa Show has not been held yet.

"They're off and running!" Are the words heard frequently among Appaloosa breeders. Yes, it's true. Pari-mutual racing for Appaloosa owners and fans are definitely highlighted in Canada. Appaloosa racing is on the move in five provinces across Canada. Alberta has four racing committees, with Saskatchewan, Manitoba, British Columbia, and Ontario each having one. In 1974 most Appaloosa races carried purses averaging over \$500 per race. This year will even be better. Besides Maiden and Open Allowance races the second Canadian Appaloosa Derby is scheduled for July 1975 in Calgary. This race will be run at 440 yards and will be open for three year olds only, with an estimate purse of \$1,000.

Wyalta War Bird was the winner of the first Canadian Appaloosa Derby in 1973. Later in the year Wyalta War Bird was sold to New Zealand and is the first Canadian Appaloosa to go to that country.

The betting public also likes what the Appaloosa has to offer. The following is quoted from "The Canadian Appaloosa Journal" - "it would appear that the betting public, who will ultimately decide the fate of the racing Appaloosa, like what we have to offer." By this sentence it is clear that the racing Appaloosa, definitely has a home on the Canadian race tracks.

You are probably wondering exactly what is an Appaloosa, besides being a horse. What is the ideal conformation? Color? Well, here's what the Appaloosa Horse Club of Canada has to say:

"Should be of light horse breeding, no draft or pony blood allowed. The Appaloosa should be symmetrical and smooth. Head straight, forehead wide. Ears pointed and of medium size.

"Neck should be of medium length with a clean-cut

throat latch and large wind pipes. Chest is deep and should blend in smoothly with well muscled, sloping shoulders.

"Forearm is well muscled, long, wide, and tapered down to a broad knee. Cannons are short, wide, and flat with wide, smooth and strongly supported fetlocks. Pastern is medium long and sloping. Hoofs are striped, rounded, deep, open and wide at the heels.

"Back is short and straight. Loin is short and wide. Underline is long with the flank well let down. Hips are smoothly covered, being long, sloping and muscular. Thighs are long, muscular and deep blending into well-rounded quarters. Gaskins are long wide and muscular extending to clean, clearly defined, wide, straight hocks."

The Appaloosa usually ranges in height from 14 to 16 hands (a hand equals four inches in height). The minimum height for a mature Appaloosa is 14 hands, with no maximum height requirements. As for weight, there are no requirements as each horse will have a different weight, depending on his health and working requirements. However Appaloosas usually weigh in at anywhere from 950 pounds to 1,250 pounds, as a general rule.

Color facts are many when it concerns the Appaloosa, and to be truthful, in the Appaloosa the color genes are least understood.

The Appaloosa has six color patterns which are clearly varied by the Appaloosa clubs. These patterns are as follows:

1. Leopard
2. Snowflaked
3. Frosted
4. Spotted blanket
5. Blanket
6. Marble, or Roan

There's also a seventh "color pattern," but it is identified as a lack of color and is classified as a marginal. These Appaloosas are either lacking in color, or showing only a trace. Such horses must be strong in other Appaloosa breed characteristics though, such as: striped hoofs, mottled skin, varnish marks, white sclera around the colored iris of the eye, and finally the sparse mane and tail (naturally short and thin).

For more information on the wonderful Appaloosa please write: The Appaloosa Horse Club of Canada, Box 3036, Station 'B', Calgary, Alberta.

Brown egg hens catch up with white egg hens

Information received from Britain by Alberta Agriculture indicates that the performance of hens that lay brown eggs is catching up with that of hens that lay white eggs.

When researchers at the National Poultry Tests at Milford, Surrey, compared the average performance of the best five entries in each of the past six tests, they found that egg production from the white egg chicken strains had gone up since

1970 from 279.4 to only 281.2 eggs a year. However, production from the brown egg strains had risen from 253.1 to 268.1.

Also, while feed consumption of the white birds between 127 and 532 days of age had fallen from 106.9 pounds to 100.4 pounds since 1970, consumption of the brown birds had fallen from 108.5 pounds to only 97.2 pounds.

The general manager of the National Poultry Tests, Jeremy Holmes, says that it is impossible to specify what proportion of these changes are due to genetic improvement and what proportion is due to environment.

However, he believes the analysis indicates that the egg production of white chicken strains reached a plateau around 1969, and that there has been little improvement since. Brown strains, on the other hand, appear to have reached this plateau two or three years later, and there is evidence that improvements are still occurring.



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SANDRA PETRY (right) President of the Coronado Community Hall accepts a cheque for \$2,000 from St. Albert MLA Ernie Jamison on behalf of the provincial government. The cheque will cover expansion of the community hall



JUST MAKING SURE they're at the right spot, from left, St. Albert MLA Ernie Jamison, Mayor Snip Loblick of Gibbons and Roy Shepherd representing the developer, at the land dedication of the Senior Citizens Lodge in Gibbons this week. A 7½ acre site has been set aside for the project.

Gibbons 4 H Club news

By Susie Theroux
The Gibbons 4H Sew and Sews (Sewing Club) held their December meeting at Mrs. Hostyn's home. The pledge was led by Janice Hostyn, Claire Lamoureux, Joyce Hostyn and Valarie Montpelier. Joyce Hostyn gave a demonstration on how to plant a vine. After that Mrs. Owens showed them how to knit the rib stitch. The roll call for that night was initiation. At the last meeting the unit ones were told to bring their bathing suits. The girls who were in units 2 and 3 brought shaving cream, having lotion and other things like that. The ones to be initiated were to pick a box out of four boxes. There were two boxes that said

"sing a song." One box was empty. One box said "you get showered with shaving lotion." Claire Lamoureux got showered, Valarie Montpelier and Joyce Hostyn sang a song. Janice Hostyn didn't have to do anything. The meeting was adjourned and lunch was served.

On January 6 the club held a Christmas meeting at Mrs. Demer's home. The pledge was led by Collette Lamoureux. Roll call was beef and bouquet. Diane Demers and Janice Hostyn each had a demonstration. Diane's demonstration was on how to make a pillow. Janice showed how to remove stains from washable fabrics. After that everyone opened their gifts. The meeting was adjourned and lunch was served.

LAMOUREUX NEWS

The annual meeting of the Lamoureux Community League Hall Board will be held Feb. 10, when a new executive will be elected. Everyone interested is urged to attend.

Bargello classes will begin January 30 from 1 - 3 p.m. Please phone community contacts to register: Winnie Madsen 998-4713, Lorraine Hostyn 998-3598 or May Richard 998-4018.

NOTICE

TO ALL CURLERS IN THE GIBBONS, BON ACCORD AND SURROUNDING DISTRICTS

A curling meeting will be held in the mezzanine of the Gibbons Arena on Monday, February 10 at 8 p.m. to discuss the selling of the old curling rink building and construction of a new four sheet curling rink in conjunction with the Gibbons Arena. All interested persons in these areas and shareholders of the old curling club as well as members of the East Sturgeon Agriculture Society are asked to attend. Please come out and help us get a much needed curling rink with artificial ice.

LEGAL LOCALS

By Lucienne Montpetit
Mr. and Mrs. Nazaire Lessard were really surprised when their children and friends gathered at their new home for a housewarming party and a birthday party for Nazaire at the same time. The couple was presented with a digital clock radio and a purse of money.

Mr. and Mrs. Lessard wish to thank their children for organizing this lovely even-

ing also everyone who attended.

A reminder to those who want to attend the Alberta Rapeseed Growers Association annual meeting to be held at the Macdonald on Jan. 23-24. There will be a ladies program this year.

Mr. and Mrs. John Zilinski are happy to announce the engagement of their daugh-

ter Kathryn to Ron Miskew, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshal Miskew from Viking. The wedding will take place on August 2, 1975.

Anyone wishing to appear at the Search for Talent in Morinville are more than welcome. If you wish to do so contact Mrs. Flo McGinnis, 939-4435 or drop in at McGinnis Realty office in Morinville and get your entry form. The Search for Talent will be in Morinville on February 8th.

The annual parish meeting will be held at the Club 60

Roses on January 27 - 8 p.m.

A surprise housewarming party was held last Saturday for Bill and Ricky Ellison. A number of friends and relatives gathered at their new home for the evening. The happy and surprised couple were presented with a beautiful wall clock from everyone present. Bill and Ricky thanked everyone for coming and for organizing that lovely party for them.

Walter Van de Walle, left on Sunday to attend the Outlook Conference in Ottawa.

NAMAOO NEWS

By Norma Crozier
Namao School and Community League will hold their annual Winter Ice Carnival on February 8. The three queen candidates are canvassing the district, please give them your support when they call. A family dance to the music of the "Playmates" will be held in the Hub on Feb. 8. Many outdoor activities are also planned, details will be announced next week.

Namao UCW met at the home of Mrs. Donald McLay on Jan. 15. Lunch plans were made for the annual congregation meeting to be held on Sunday, Jan. 26 after the regular service. Everyone is

invited to attend.

Plans were made to clean the church on Feb. 10 at 10 a.m. A good crew is required so please come out and help if you can.

The new executive of officers is headed by Mrs. Barbara Horricks as president.

Get well wishes of the district go to Mr. Ken Stanton who is in University Hospital after surgery last week and to Angel Yeske who suffered a broken leg while skiing.

Ken Crozier and Bob Crozier are back home from a trip to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania to visit Lee Crozier.



Fred Roberts, the first Heathfield school teacher, 1916 - 1917.

A happy event in the Coronado-Gibbons area took place in the summer of 74 when, thanks to the organizational work of a number of people, a great many district people who have scattered near and far were brought together for a reunion of students of the Heathfield school.

Mrs. Jim Shaw sent along the guest book list of 82 visitors to the reunion with 19 families represented from Edmonton: Mrs. E. A. Wood, Bill and Lillian Failing, Laura and Jim Storie, Tom and Irene McNeil, Art and Lawrence Demers, Agnes and Clara Fleming, Mrs. Jean Lake, Philip and Helen Fearnley, Harvey and Ellen Schneider, Margaret and Bob Greenlees, Leah Trotter, Jack and Shirley O'Gorman and George and Eva Sprague.

Fifteen families were represented from Gibbons: Jim and Jeanette Petherbridge, Doug and Jane Hood, Bert and Mary Lee, Helen Williams, Nellie and Jack Hogg, Cecilia Elzinga, Phil and Agnes Michaud, Jean and Earl Toane, Emil and Liz Fink, Ken and Betty Petherbridge, Bert and Katie Petherbridge, Doris and Joe Mabbutt, Ernie and Gwen Hall, George and Agnes Petherbridge and Lizzie Sprague.

From Coronado came 13: Jim and Cathie Shaw, John Scholes, Johnnie and Winnie Shaw, Ellen and Gilbert Fearnley, James Scholes, Mollie Hall, Tom and Adele Shaw, James and Sandra Shaw, Louis and Vivian Lamoureux, Susan and Mar-

shall Hall, Judy and Don Christie, Andrew and Bev Hood and Allan Petherbridge.

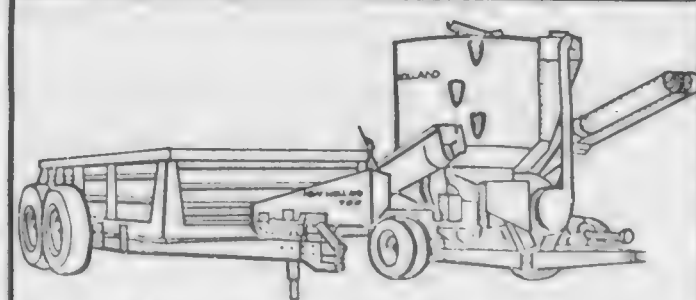
Fort Saskatchewan was represented by 11 families: Ed and Olive Scholes, Rene and Evelyn Moreau, Bob and Annie Walker, Roland and Josephine Gaumont, Allan and Edith Demers, Audrey and Wilf Derosia Hervee and Nora Lamoureux, Frank Couturior, Sid and Lillie Holmes, Paul and Aggie Berger, Louis Derouin and Louis and Hazel Dahlstrom.

Seven families returned from British Columbia: Bill Rippon and Isobel and Stan Rippon from Victoria; John Nolin of Vancouver; Mary Fraser of Chilliwack; Pat and Ilene Sprague of Fort Nelson and Sheila McDougall of Prince George.

Three families were represented from the United States: Mr. and Mrs. Earl Woolridge of Santa Monica; Albert and Mary McIntyre from Eugene, Oregon and Ray and Lillian McIntyre of Dorris, California.

Redwater had four families attending: Sandy and Betty Wilson, Harold and Phyllis Hood, Don and Lois Hall and Walter and Esther Melnychuk.

Families from 10 other centres were: Harry Scholes, Namao; Peggy Mahan of Rocky Rapids, Alta., Ted and Doreen Linney, Calgary; Elsie Sprague, Red Deer; Muriel and Zenon Onushko of Vegreville, Jack Hood of St. Lina, Alta., Phil and Olivine Lamoureux of Dapp and Evelyn Demers of St. Albert.



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MORINVILLE MEMOS

By Marilyn Pelletier
Young performers are needed to perform in the ACT Search for Talent contest to be held in Morinville on Feb. 8. Anyone wishing to register please do so as soon as possible at the McGinnis Realty office in Morinville.

Last Thursday was the monthly recreation board meeting. At this special meeting there was a good turnout and 19 organizations of Morinville each sent elected representatives. The recreation board needs a secretary. You need not be a typist, just a good writer and willing to volunteer some of your spare time to the betterment of your town. This newly expanded recreation board covers all aspects of recreation from senior

citizens to tiny tots. If interested in the position of secretary then give Flo McGinnis a call.

We understand that figure skating commences on Jan. 25, 1975.

There will be a Foster Parents Association meeting on January 23 at 8 p.m. in the Recreation Centre. All foster parents please make a special effort to attend.

The Morinville Kindergarten Association will hold their monthly meeting on Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Recreation Centre.

The Christian Ladies annual wine and cheese party is to be held on January 25 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the Rec Centre with live entertainment provided by the

Satellites. Refreshments consists of meatballs and spaghetti. There is a limited number of tickets at \$4 per person. Tickets available at business outlets in town or by contacting Mrs. Solagne Bachand at 939-4497.

Final notice regarding Brownie registrations. You may do so this week by contacting Mrs. J. Clarke at 939-4256.

Registrations are now open for ceramics classes to be held every Wednesday evening. These classes consist of molds only. For information contact Jeanette 939-4546.

Morinville Tiny Tots Association have informed me that they have a few openings for their morning only classes. Your child needs only to be three to be

eligible to attend. For information and registration contact Mrs. F. Meunier at 939-4572.

The annual meeting of Le Mouvement Des Femmes Chretiennes and the CWL for the election of the Board of Directors of the Morinville Notre Dame Childhood Association will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 28, 1975 at 8 p.m. in the meeting room at the Recreation Centre.

Last Monday evening a surprise baby shower was held at the home of M. Pelletier for Mrs. Anthony (Nancy) Van Brabant of Morinville. Nineteen friends, co-workers and relatives were in attendance from Edmonton, St. Albert and Morinville. The chair of honor was decorated with streamers of pink and blue

from ceiling to floor. After several games Nancy opened many lovely baby gifts with the assistance of Gloria DeRudder. A lunch of pink and blue sandwiches followed along with an assortment of squares and coffee. An enjoyable time was had by all. The evening ended round 11 p.m. with Nancy thanking all for attending.

All those who have made donations to the Central Sturgeon Agricultural Society for artificial ice and have not yet received their official receipt for income tax purposes, may do so by contacting Mrs. Shelly Parko at 939-4071.

Ladies Keep Fit 10 week course starting Wednesday, Jan. 22 from 8 to 10 p.m., at Sturgeon Regional Office (south of arena).

We are happy to hear that Sid Pifko is home from the hospital; but we understand he has to spend most of his time in bed. Hope to see you up and around soon Sid.

Congratulations go out to Mr. and Mrs. Ron Hansel who are the proud parents of a new baby boy named Cameron Wade, born on January 10, 1975 at the Sturgeon General Hospital. Cameron weighed 6 lbs. 8 ozs.

Get well quick wishes go out to Catherine Steffes who is a patient in the St. Albert Hospital.

HOCKEY NEWS

In the Sturgeon Valley

Morinville council Briefs

Following are highlights from the regular meeting of Morinville town council held in the town office January 14.

COUNCIL AGREED to pay a total of \$180.00 in registration fees for 12 residents from Morinville who have enrolled in a volunteer first-aid rescue service in the community. Divisional Superintendent of the Sturgeon area of the St. John

Senior Hockey League, a game played in Morinville last Friday night saw Morinville defeat Nmao 10 to 1.

Minor Hockey Week activity started in Morinville last Saturday. Some teams seeing action were the Morinville PeeWees in Gibbons, who won their first game, and the Midgets who lost both of their games - one to Gibbons, and one to Redwater in Morinville.

The Bantams defeated Thorhild and the Mites played Riviere Qui Barre to a two all tie.

Morinville Shavers will be playing in the Minor Hockey Week tournament in Legal on Saturday, Jan. 25. The first Morinville game will be at 12 noon.

Games coming up in the Morinville Arena for Sturgeon Valley Senior Hockey League are as follows: Friday, Jan. 24 at 8:30 p.m., Bon Accord will be in town on Saturday, Jan. 25 at 8 p.m. Calahoo are the visitors.

On Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock Gibbons will be here to provide the opposition. So come on out and cheer Morinville on to victory.

The Oldtimers are still poking those goals in as they tied Tofield 4-4 last Friday night in Tofield.

Adult Badminton will be starting on Sunday, Feb. 2, 1975 at 2 p.m. in the Georges P. Vanier High School. Registration will be 50¢/person for a 10 week period. Those interested please contact Mr. Bob Barry - 939-4613 evenings or Sturgeon Regional Recreation 939-4317.

Ambulance Nigel Mansfield was at the meeting advising council of the start of training sessions.

The final section of pavement in Morinville's street paving program - seven miles in all - was put down this week. The program began in 1973.

COUNCIL APPROVED accounts for last year.

A USDA economic study shows that recycling poultry waste for feed is economically feasible for large scale poultry operations.

The study, which examined the economic aspects of recycling layer and broiler wastes and feeding them to chickens and livestock, showed that dried layer waste (DLW) can be processed and fed back to poultry on at least a break-even basis in 50,000 to 80,000 laying hen operations. However, recycling was not a break-even proposition for the family-sized poultry farm.

The cost of drying the layer waste was \$25, \$30 and \$46 per ton for flock sizes of 80,000, 50,000 and 10,000 respectively. The feeding trial results indicated that up to 12.5 per cent of DLW

could be used in the ration without adversely affecting egg production or feed efficiency. When higher percentages were fed, egg production and feed efficiency were reduced. When 20 per cent or more DLW was fed both body weight and egg weight declined.

DLW can also be fed to dairy and beef cattle. The USDA report showed that beef cattle rations containing up to 30 per cent DLW could be fed without a significantly adverse effect on performance or carcass quality. Likewise, ground and ensiled broiler waste showed no negative effect on the carcass quality of beef cattle, but feed efficiency tended to be lower. Palatability was found to be the main problem when DLW was fed to beef cattle, the report said.

Commenting on the report, Gerry Patsula, Alberta Agriculture's poultry specialist who has been doing research into the various uses of dried poultry waste, points out that recycled poultry waste is not presently allowed to be sold commer-

cially in either the United States or Canada. However, it is being used in isolated cases by producers feeding livestock on their own premises.

Mr. Patsula believes that much more research needs to be done in such areas as product analysis for toxic chemicals and pathogenic organisms. He says cases of infectious and exotic salmonella bacteria have risen by 60 per cent in one test area in England, and that the British Ministry of Agriculture has cited the indiscriminate sale of DLW, as recycled protein, as a possible cause.

"If DLW was properly dried and pasturized to meet specific standards it would probably be safe to feed," Mr. Patsula says, "but at the present time there are neither manufacturing standards nor health criteria governing the marketing of this product in Canada for commercial purposes. However, there is a lot of research being done in North America on the safe use of recycled animal wastes."

BILLBOARD

THURS. JAN. 30 - Annual meeting Horse Hill Community League. 8 p.m. School.

SUN. FEB. 9 - Riviere Qui Barre Parish Turkey supper, 5 - 7 p.m. Family entertainment following.

MON. FEB. 10 - Annual meeting Lamoureux Community League Hall Board.

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Report from Parliament Hill

By Stan Schellenberger,
MP Wetaskiwin.

Everyone likes to talk constantly about the weather but feels powerless to do anything to change it. However scientists are constantly discovering that the activities of man are in fact seriously contributing to the changing weather patterns of the world. Quite startling, isn't it, to think that man can actually influence the elements?

The signs that the weather is indeed changing are indisputable: the range of the South-American burrowing animal, the armadillo, is growing smaller and smaller, the monsoon rains do not come in India, snow still covers the ground when the robins return in New England, the Sahara desert advances in North Africa. The climate has changed in the past but never before has it been so influenced by the one factor in the world sure to be affected the most - man himself.

Every year, man's activities - fuel combustion, transportation, industry, waste disposal, etc. - spew millions of tons of particles into the world's atmosphere. In the past, only huge volcanic eruptions could unload large quantities of dust, ash and particles into the air. Now, to some degree, man has mastered nature. It has been estimated that man's influence on climatic conditions is 16 to 20% compared with natural influences.

The world's weather is gradually growing cooler. This cooling has had an impact on the pattern of winds and rainfall. Paths of high-pressure areas have changed and winds now blow where they never did before. Several central Africa nations have experienced drought periods of four to five years' duration, droughts that have resulted in withered crops and blistered pastures.

Scientists are now extremely interested in the study of the climate, how and why it changes. It has

been suggested that the dust particles emitted into the atmosphere are causing the creation of clouds. The cloud cover reduces solar radiation and gradually cools off the air. But extensive research is needed in this field to determine the exact nature of the dust particles and the reason for their altering climate conditions.

The average temperature in the City of Toronto has risen by about four or five degrees in the last one hundred years. This change is attributed to the fact that there are tons of people, cars, sky-scrapers, and miles of paved roads and parking lots in the metropolitan area. During the winter months and huge buildings in the city are heated internally to a temperature averaging 70 degrees. These buildings act as gigantic radiators heating the outdoors. Then, in the summer, the buildings absorb and store heat, with the result that during the evenings this heat drifts

into the air preventing a significant cooling of the atmosphere.

Large urban centres generally have an efficient drainage system built into the roads and sidewalks. This means that any snow or rain is carried away soon after it falls. In rural areas the precipitation falls on the ground. When the sun shines in the country its rays are expended in vaporizing the precipitation whereas in the city the rays serve to heat the atmosphere. Thus the cities are usually warmer than the rural areas.

City skyscrapers alter wind patterns and speeds. The wind speed is accelerated because of a tunnel created by the skyscrapers that line both sides of the street. This acceleration is prevalent only when the street runs in the same direction as the prevailing wind. Conversely, when the wind is blowing from the opposite direction it is slowed down by the tall buildings. This hinders the

dispersal of air pollution.

Scientists also believe that the amount of precipitation experienced by a city increases proportionately with its population. The larger the city, the more rain and snow it will have. Possible causes have been suggested for this trend: clouds seeded by pollutants, air turbulence created by buildings, and heat generated by cars, industries and buildings, but much more indepth study is necessary to accurately determine the contributing factors.

Lately much attention has been focused on the atmosphere's ozone layer, a layer that protects life from a lethal overdose of the sun's ultraviolet rays. It has been discovered that the ozone layer is so fragile that it might be severely damaged or destroyed by

large-scale nuclear tests, supersonic aircraft and even the wide-spread use of aerosol sprays. Spray can gases, mostly chlorine compounds, react with ozone turning it into ordinary oxygen. One renowned physicist has estimated that a reduction of ozone, resulting in a substantial increase of ultraviolet radiation on the earth, would cause a greater incidence of skin cancer among humans. Food crops and plankton would also be affected.

I think that it can be safely said that the activities of humans do affect the climatic conditions of the world. The effect is not always beneficial, but often destructive. As further tests are conducted and research is made, hopefully we will know more about the power of man to influence his environment and atmosphere.

Calahoo district

By Liz McLeod
**NEW ARRIVALS
IN CALAHOO**

Gerald (Jay) and Harriette McGeough of Calahoo are certainly receiving congratulations on the birth of their twins, 6 lbs. 7 ozs. Jennifer and 5 lbs. 14½ ozs. Jeffrey, born in the General Hospital in Edmonton on January 8, 1975, and a sister and brother for two year old Jenine.

Their very excited maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Hector Majeau of Rich Valley with their paternal grandparents being Tom and Gladys McGeough of Edmonton.

This community add their best wishes to the proud parents also.

Louis and Grace Verbeek of Calahoo are receiving congratulations on the birth of their son, Joey Lee, weighing 8 lbs. 11 ozs. and born in the Sturgeon General Hospital in St. Albert on December 16, 1974.

His maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Syd Vandenberg of Camrose and paternal grandparents are James and Theda Verbeek of

R.R. 1 Calahoo.

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Regional use proposed for Cardiff park reserve

The MD of Sturgeon is looking at regional use for its proposed park reserve at Cardiff.

As the MD council reviewed the overall project January 16, also accepting a \$16,000 bid for the facility design from G. R. Shelley and Associates which includes soil testing and engineering costs, councillor Wal-

ter Van de Walle suggested that metropolitan areas needed recreation.

"Would it not be better if it became a regional park?" he asked, adding, "Let's look at the regional aspect."

Reeve of the MD Bill Flynn and Superintendent of Sturgeon Regional Recreation Laurent Coulombe pointed out that they would have to

have the design first before they could show it to other municipalities.

The MD also needs \$35,000 for reclamation purposes on the proposed park and it is hoped that this will come from the provincial government's Department of the Environment.

"They promised us \$35,000," said Councillor Hubert

Lamoureux, he hoped that this was not just a political promise and added that if it was available he would say yes to it.

Mr. Coulombe told council that if they wanted to do away with an original facility design this would bring the contract down to \$9,000 presuming that soil testing and other engineering costs

were also excluded.

He pointed out that if this were done, then there would be a hodge podge resulting, with different coloured signs and buildings of differing materials at the park site.

It was decided to agree to the bid from G. R. Shelley and Associates for the original facility design and that the revenue for the contract come out of a special recreation fund. This would avoid tampering with the mill rate which would go up slightly if the contract were funded normally.

The success of the park

reserve hinges however on the present owners of the 40 acre site being motivated to sell and it is expected that they will once they see the development plans and designs.

Also G. R. Shelley and Associates have made a proviso that there shall be no public use of the park till the disposal grounds are phased out.

Reeve of the MD Bill Flynn said he wouldn't like to see that and recommended the use of the facility while the disposal grounds were still operating.

Fababeans - great potential as high protein forage

Alberta Agriculture's 1974 fababean demonstration plots indicate that this crop has great possibilities as a high protein forage.

Larry Gareau, the department's forage crop specialist, says that this year more emphasis was placed on the feasibility of using fababeans as a forage crop, rather than for seed, because of the extremely late spring in both central and northern Alberta.

He reports that 55,000 pounds of seed were distributed by Alberta Agriculture last spring to 65 farmers for planting in three to five acre plots and that another 20,000 pounds were given to seven dehydrating plants in the province to be planted in 30 to 40 acre fields. An additional 600,000 pounds of seed, obtained independently by a number of farmers, were used to plant an estimated 5,000 acres.

Approximately 15 per cent of the combined seeded acreage was harvested as forage with an estimated 8,000 to 10,000 tons being ensiled, 300 tons dehydrated and pelleted, 20 tons cubed and 200 tons put up as dry hay.

As a forage, the total yield of dry matter per acre varied from 1.25 to 4 tons per acre, and the protein content varied from 12 to 20 per cent. "It was evident from our research findings," says Mr. Gareau "that the fababean varieties presently available

must be planted very early in the spring in this climate, and that they must reach an advanced stage of growth before they are harvested for silage or dehydrated for pellets and cubes.

Other findings showed that this crop can tolerate low temperatures, but that 10° or more frost in the fall is disastrous to it. The high moisture content of fababeans necessitates a longer processing time than is the case with alfalfa. Pelleting was easy and the pellets were very stable, but attempts at cubing sun-cured material were not satisfactory. However, one cubing plant produced a good product by mixing sun-cured

fababeans with one third alfalfa.

Although fababean silage was readily accepted by livestock, in some cases cattle were reluctant at first to eat the pellets and cubes. However, they soon became accustomed to them.

Another point that came out of the research was the fact that frost-damaged fababeans do not seem to accumulate nitrates to any extent.

A number of farmers in central and northern Alberta who are co-operating in the research seeded 23 four-acre plots in the latter part of October to test the feasibility of fall seeding. Despite the long open fall, no sign of

sprouting was observed.

According to Mr. Gareau, Dr. Laurie Evans of the University of Manitoba's Plant Science Department, is selecting and breeding fababean varieties in an attempt to find varieties that are more suitable for Western Canada's short growing season than the presently grown European varieties. Two of his varieties appear very promising from the point of view of ease of handling, lower susceptibility to disease, higher yields and earlier maturity. The European varieties now being grown in Western Canada do not mature early enough to produce good seed in northern Alberta.

Alberta Pioneer passes

By Norma Crozier
On January 4, 1975, Mr. William Fraser, of 10910 - 133A Avenue, Edmonton, passed away at 93 years of age. Born in Edmonton in 1881, son of John and Sarah Fraser, they lived in the Highlands District, they called "The Lower Settlement." He attended Belmont School.

In 1905 he homesteaded at Redwater, Alberta and on January 3, 1911 he was married to Alice Maude Cook. On their farm they raised their family of 13

children. Retiring from the farm in 1948 they made their home in Bon Accord, Alberta where they resided until 1962 when they moved to the Rosslyn Senior Citizen's Home in Edmonton. Both still active and enjoying good health Billy and Alice Fraser celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary on January 3, and he passed away quietly the following day.

He is survived by his loving wife Alice, four sons and eight daughters; William of Kelowna, B.C., Jack of

Thorhild, Donald and Gordon of Edmonton, Mrs. Ed (Alice) Treloggen of Williams Lake, B.C., Mrs. Tom (Florence) Iley of Falkland, B.C., Mrs. Stan (Lorna) Whiteside, of Vancouver, B.C., Mrs. Frank (Joyce) Roshko of Redwater, Mrs. David (Norma) Johnson of Kelowna, B.C., Mrs. Reg (Margaret) Waterhouse, Mrs. John (Hazel) Church, Mrs. Mike (Edith) Melnyk, all of Edmonton; one sister and one brother; Mrs. Thomas (Bessie) Yates of Edmonton, Lawrence Fraser of Surrey, B.C., 39 grandchildren and 36 great-grandchildren; one son, Jasper predeceased him in 1946.

Funeral services were held on Jan. 8, 1975 at the Park Memorial Chapel with Mr. A. Van Kirk officiating and interment in the Bon Accord Cemetery.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Gibbons Recreational Board public organizational meeting is to be held on Tuesday, January 28, 1975 at 8 p.m. in the Community Hall. All are invited to attend.

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JAN. 31 - 8 p.m. Gibbons at Legal; Bon Accord and Namao in Gibbons; Villeneuve at Morinville.

FEB. 2 - 2 p.m. Bon Accord at Calahoo; Villeneuve at Legal; Morinville and Namao in Gibbons.

STURGEON VALLEY SENIOR HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS UP TO JANUARY 15, 1975

TEAM	GP	W	L	T	P	GA
Calahoo	11	7	2	2	16	32
Villeneuve	12	6	3	3	15	36
Morinville	8	6	1	1	12	30
Legal	11	4	6	1	9	35
Gibbons	12	4	8	0	8	58
Namao	10	3	5	2	8	38
Bon Accord	10	2	7	1	4	54

TOP SCORERS:	G	A	P
M. Contant (C)	13	14	27
J. McGeough (C)	8	12	20
F. Hess (M)	8	8	15
P. Soetaert (V)	10	6	16
R. Parc (M)	9	6	15
D. VanBrabant (L)	8	6	14
B. St. Martin (L)	9	5	14

STURGEON VALLEY MINOR HOCKEY LEAGUE

MITES:	W	L	T	Pts.
Legal Hotel	5	0	0	10
Gibbons	4	1	0	8
Morinville Arrows	2	0	0	4
Legal Co-op	2	1	0	4
Redwater	2	1	0	4
Thorhild	1	1	1	3
Bon Accord	1	3	1	3
Morin, Tomahawks	1	1	0	2
Riviere Qui Barre	0	4	0	0
Vimy	0	5	0	0

PEEWEEES:	W	L	T	P
Vimy	6	0	0	12
Villeneuve	3	0	0	6
Gibbons N.L.	2	1	0	4
Legal	2	2	0	4
Morinville	1	1	1	3
Thorhild	1	2	1	3
Riviere Qui Barre	1	1	0	2
Bon Accord	0	1	0	0
Redwater	0	3	0	0
Gibbons P.W.	0	5	0	0

BANTAMS:	W	L	T	P
Legal	5	0	0	10
Thorhild	5	3	0	10
Gibbons	3	3	1	7
Morinville L	2	0	0	4
Morinville R	2	2	0	4
Bon Accord	0	3	1	1
Riviere Qui Barre	0	3	0	0
Redwater	0	3	0	0

MIDGETS:	W	L	T	P
Gibbons	4	2	0	8
Redwater	5	0	1	11
Horse Hill	3	2	1	7
Thorhild	3	1	3	9
Bon Accord	2	5	2	6
Morinville B	0	4	0	0
Morinville A	0	3	0	0

MD wants warble control to be compulsory

Following are some of the highlights from the regular meeting of the MD of Sturgeon #90, Jan. 16 and 17.

COUNCIL AGREED to give Fort Saskatchewan an indication of the MD's interest in a regional ambulance service and also its desire for further study of the question. There seems to be some support for the idea among MD of Sturgeon residents of Bon Accord and Gibbons, also Namao who would fall into the Fort Saskatchewan area if such a service proved viable.

It was pointed out to council that St. Albert Kinsmen have already suggested purchasing an ambulance for the Sturgeon General Hospital.

THE MD WILL hold its annual meeting March 22 at 2 p.m.

COUNCIL ENACTED a bylaw that will authorize the MD to borrow \$90,000 from the Receiver General under a winter works program for the Riviere Qui Barre multi-purpose facility. The facility itself will cost a total of \$181,000. The borrowing of the \$90,000 by the MD will be a forgivable debt for labour costs on the project. The bylaw was passed at third reading.

COUNCILLOR WALTER Van de Walle wants to see a warble free province. He said the MD should write to the Minister of Agriculture Dr. Hugh Horner saying that the Alberta Warble Infestation program should be compulsory province wide. He was reacting to a discussion on a letter from the Minister concerning the revised version of the 1960 Pest Act which was due to come into effect

November 1. The Act suggests that control be improved but leaves it up to the individual to combat the warble fly menace. Reeve of the MD Bill Flynn did not think it right that anyone should opt out of the program and added that "if some of our neighbours opt out, wouldn't it make control difficult here?" If the Act was enforced province wide, it would probably mean that no cattle would be allowed into Alberta unless they were treated before entry.

THE MD SET the wheels in motion to have preliminary agriculture budget by Feb. 6. The mill rate for the budget was set at three mills. The budget will be designed to meet a 30 per cent increase in the cost of herbicides, purchase of \$100,000 worth of chemicals and a hefty road spraying program of \$50,000. Two thousand dollars was also being set aside for erosion control.

RIVIERE QUI BARRE SHOULD benefit considerably if the MD negotiated successfully for a highway realignment near that community. Three local property owners are known to favour having the realignment cross their property and the MD council favours "getting out there quick" to acquire the land which council has agreed be set at \$350 per acre market value. The only real reservation expressed by council came from Councillor Clay Crozier who said the realignment might be a mistake as it would cut the eastern growth potential of the community.

"IT'S APPALLING," said Coun. Walter Van de Walle, commenting on the bad state of repair of some of the MDs

Public Works equipment. He said that a new 627 looked as if it were 10 years old, while another councillor, Robert Stack described how the front wheel came off one machine, as the driver ran off the tire in a tight turn on a slope. Coun. Van de Walle suggested that maybe it was time to sit down with employees on this matter, while Mr. Flynn suggested that if the MD was bringing in new equipment it should order well ahead.

THE PUBLIC WORKS committee of the MD council is slated to meet Feb. 18 at 1:30 p.m. with MLA Ernie Jamison. Mayor Art Staple-

ton of Morinville, the Bridge's Department and the Department of the Environment about an extensive project - bridge structures on the Manawan Drainage system. Council pointed out that the project makes it possible for Morinville to use the Manawan drainage system for a couple of years because of a delay in that community's sewer line. Mr. Flynn revealed this to council pointing out that he had been having talks on the subject with Mayor Stapleton.

COUNCIL APPROVED the cancellation of a road allowance through the middle of the Villeneuve airstrip as

requested by the Ministry of Transport. This is with the proviso that they will construct a turn-about at the north end of the closure.

THE MD EXPRESSED its concern that St. Albert might not be able to continue its tuition agreement for students who live in the south east corner of the MD. It was suggested the matter be brought out into the open with St. Albert, which apparently feels that either facilities must expand at the Paul Kane High School or the tuition agreement must end.

COUNCIL AGREED to have bus loading signs put

up 1,000 feet either side of a point half a mile south of Villeneuve, following a recent accident at the location.

RECEIPTS AND revenues were received but not approved by the MD following a hassle with understanding the balance sheets. "Its going to be in plain English next year," said secretary treasurer of the MD Alphonse Nobert as he looked at the accounts with comments like "We're gonna have to bring in our calculators," from Coun. Van de Walle. Mr. Nobert said that he wasn't happy with the way the machines were programmed to do the accounts.

VIMY NEWS

By Darlene Provencal
Get well wishes are being sent to Mrs. Martha Morozowich, who is in an Edmonton hospital. Also, to Mr. Clem Provencal who had to be operated on this week in Westlock. We hope to see you both up and around before too long.

Birthday wishes are being sent to Leon Huot, Ulric Landry, and Leo Provencal who all celebrated their birthday on Jan. 16. Birthday greetings also to Mr. Ed Sabourin whose birthday is on the 19th and to his wife, Jeanne, who has her's on the 21st. Hope you all had a great day.

Horse Hill news

By Peggy Wenzel
The annual meeting of the Horse Hill Community League will be held on Thursday January 30 at 8 p.m. in the kitchen at Horse Hill School. Please plan to attend. The league needs your support and ideas to make 1975 a bigger and better year.

Bob Bernard will be joining several people from Westlock on Monday, Jan. 20 to take in a chartered flight by John Deere to Rock Island and Moline, Iowa, U.S.A. While there plans have been made for them to visit two factories where combines and tractors are put together. Sounds like an interesting two days, Bob.

Several residents from here attended the spectacular Ice Capades at the Edmonton Coliseum. They've reported that it really is a great show to see for the entire family.

Defensive Driving Course to be offered in Evergreen Mobile Park starting January 28, 1975 from 8 p.m. - 10 p.m. in the Recreation Hall. Classes will be run for four weeks. Registration fees \$5 per person. To register phone Mrs. Bev. Lezette 799-7541, Mrs. Rita Drury 799-7465 or Sturgeon Regional Recreation 939-4317

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Mandatory seat belt legislation urged

Consumers' Association of Canada urges the immediate implementation of mandatory seat belt legislation in all of the provinces and territories in Canada.

The Association will appeal to provincial and territorial governments to introduce mandatory seat belt legislation in light of mounting evidence that seat belts save lives. Over 95 per cent of vehicles in Canada are equipped with the safety devices and a mandatory use law adopted tomorrow could have an immediate massive effect in terms of protecting the motoring public.

It is estimated that if all provinces adopted the legislation it would represent annual savings to Canadians of over 1,300 lives and some \$260 million in medical and social assistance costs and lost productivity.

The federal and provincial Ministers of Health advocated mandatory belt laws last spring but only the provincial transport ministers have the power to introduce such legislation.

The Province of Nova Scotia has already taken the initiative. On Nov. 27, legislation was passed by that province which directs that "if a motor vehicle is equipped with restraint equipment of the type required by the Motor Vehicle Safety Act of Canada, then the operator and passengers in that motor vehicle have to use the restraint equipment in the manner for which it was designed." Regulations exempting certain types of operators, passengers and vehicles, such as mail drivers from meeting the requirements have yet to be drawn up.

In October, Ontario reversed its support for a mandatory belt law stating that there is "just too much opposition" to the idea which was first promised in the Throne Speech last March.

Literally hundreds of studies and investigations done since the mid-1960's have proven the importance of belts to drivers and passengers.

In one of the most convincing studies ever done Volvo examined 28,000 accident cases in Sweden involving 37,511 front seat occupants. They found that there was not a single fatality in the case of belted occupants at speeds up to 60 miles per hour, while deaths were observed in the unbelted group at speeds as low as 12 miles per hour.

Seat belts serve a dual purpose. One is to prevent ejection and the second purpose is to prevent collision with the interior of the vehicle. The wearing of a seat belt by the driver helps to reduce driver fatigue, thus diminishing the possibility of accidents caused by sleepy drivers. More important, perhaps, is the fact that the seat belt keeps the driver in his seat, at his controls, in cases where he might otherwise be thrown from his seat.

Although the lap belt alone has a usefulness in preventing a person from ejection, it

is unlikely to prevent you from collision with the interior of the vehicle, therefore, the lap and shoulder combination is safest.

The claim that there is possibility of harm caused by the wearing of seat belts is true. However, the problem generally arises only when individuals have not attached their belts properly leading to some pelvic and/or abdominal injury. Even if the belt were improperly attached, injuries would almost always be less severe than if the belt were not worn at all.

The excuse that "I'm a very careful driver," does not hold either. Careful drivers have accidents too, if not on the giving end, then on the receiving end.

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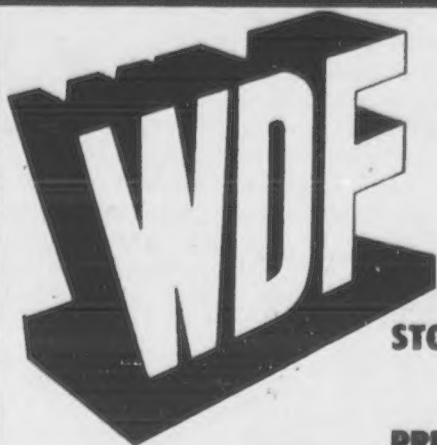
As for the "fire and water" argument, immersion only occurs in about one out of every 300 injury producing accidents. The odds against fire are about the same. When it does happen, the seat belt, which takes less than a second to undo, is your protection against a collision with the interior of the car and a resulting loss of consciousness.

One of the strongest objections to mandatory belt use legislation is that it would be an infringement on the personal freedom of a person to decide whether or not to use a belt.

First of all, driving is not a right, it is a privilege. It is a privilege which is subjected to all kinds of restrictions such as red lights, stop signs and speed limits. Also, the wearing of a seat belt reduces costs to all of society. By refusing to wear one, an individual is not only making a personal decision. He is increasing everyone's taxes and insurance premiums.

The statement that air bags are coming and belt laws will not be necessary does not solve present problems. First of all, it is not certain air bags will be in use in the United States or Canada. Even if air bags are manufactured within the next couple of years, it will be at least 10 years after that before as many vehicles have air bags as presently have lap and shoulder belts.

The complaint that seat belts are inconvenient and uncomfortable may stem from improper wearing. The lap belt should be worn snugly and the shoulder belt with about enough slack for you to pass your fist between your chest and the belt. In other words, the shoulder portion should not be worn snugly, nor should it be worn with a considerable amount of slack. The former case increases the chest load and can cause some internal injuries, while the second case creates the possibility of collision with the interior of the vehicle.



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Report From Bon Accord

By Sadie Allen

AG SOCIETY MEETING

The Bon Accord and District Agricultural Society held its annual meeting on Monday, January 13 in the Bon Accord Community Centre. One of the society's main concerns is assisting the Recreation Board in building our recreation complex. The society held six consecutive Farmers' Market days with one wind-up sale at the annual turkey supper. This year, because of lack of facilities, no stalls were available for rent, but hopefully for the coming season stalls will be available for rent to anyone wanting to sell products at the Farmers' Markets. Anyone wishing to avail themselves of the opportunity to dispose of farm produce can call Pat Reichle - 921-3535 for further information. An auction sale is slated for Saturday, April 19, with auctioneer Peter Prodanuk. Any saleable item, especially farm machinery, can be sold on a commission basis. Elected by acclamation to the Board of Directors were Ethel Samis, Bob Putnam, Archie Jenkins and Mike Betchuk.

CARNIVAL DAYS

Carnival Days are planned for Feb. 7, 8 and 9. A change has been made in the senior hockey schedule and will have the Bon Accord Wild-

cats playing Morinville at Morinville on Jan. 24 and the Morinville team playing here on Sunday, Feb. 9 at 2 p.m. A family dance is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 7 when the carnival queue will be crowned. Novelty snowmobile races are also scheduled for Sunday, February 9.

Booth committees have been set up for all events at the arena. Although facilities are a little primitive, the booth is doing a roaring business and the ladies of Bon Accord and district must be commended for their great co-operation in donating their time to a worthy cause.

LADIES COMMUNITY CLUB

The January meeting of the Ladies Community Club was held at the home of Thalia Critchley with 12 members present. The new president, Rose Ruth, was in charge of the meeting with Gail Sinclair, the new secretary taking the minutes. Get well wishes were extended to Sarah Mulligan, past president who was in hospital. According to the treasurer's report, the New Year's Ball held at the school gym was a financial success as well as a gala event. Donations to the Bon Accord Community Centre during 1974 amounted to \$3,200. Plans are underway to cater for the Feb. 1st dance sponsored by the Community Centre. Ti-

kets and arrangements for the winter carnival queen candidates are in the hands of the BACC. Carnival dates are Feb. 7, 8 and 9. Queen candidates are Lorianne Rapien, sponsored by the Community Club and the Rec. Board; Belinda Draper, sponsored by the Lions Club and Dallas Kreway, sponsored by the 4H Clubs. Crowning of the queen will take place at the family dance on Friday, Feb. 7. Valuable prizes will be awarded to lucky ticket holders. Drivers and cars are urgently required to take the girls around to sell tickets. Please contact Rita Milligan, 921-2383, if you can spare your car and time. The hostess prize was won by Linda Engman. Members will be advised by phone as to the location of February meeting.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Yakimits on the birth of their daughter, Lori Margaret, 6 lbs. 7 ozs. on Jan. 12. New baby? Please phone me at 921-3541 with the vital statistics.

BROWNIES & GUIDES

Brownies and Guides held their regular meeting on Jan. 13. Brownies worked on their Golden Bar requirements - knitting; crocheting and semaphore, while the Guides worked on badges and updating records. An

interesting schedule is planned, with a trip to the Ice Capades taken on Jan. 18 and a skating party planned for Jan. 25 and a visit to AGT on Jan. 27. Many thanks to the unidentified person who mailed in a bag of used stamps to the Local Association treasurer.

BINGO

A good crowd turned out for the bingo on Sunday, Jan. 19 but the jackpot is being hard to come by, and was not won. It is now \$275, in 57 numbers. Winner of the jackpot consolation was Cindy Fenwick. The bonanza was shared by Larry Draper and Mike Betchuk.

TOPS REORGANIZES

The reorganizational meeting of TOPS AB2010 was held on January 7. Leader Marjorie Morris and weight recorder Doreen Mohr requested to be relieved of their positions for personal reasons. Joyce Cosh volunteered to take over as leader, Doreen Chopp as co-leader, Mae Strawnson as weight recorder and Judy Heap as secretary, Lil Schick as treasurer, and Doris Carleton and Edith Kowalski as the social committee. The meeting day was changed to Tuesdays which seemed to be more beneficial to most members. A pamphlet containing recipes and helpful hints donated by members is

being put together by Doris Carleton. A social meeting will be held in February with a demonstration by Mrs. Gail Critchley, the Avon representative in the community. The TOPS extends the welcome mat for any new member interested in joining. Meetings are held Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at the school. Would the BIG Nibblers who took the cow and the elephant home, please bring or send them to the next meeting?

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

The annual congregational meeting of the Holy Trinity Church was held on Jan. 19. Rector's Warden is Bill Carleton, People's Warden is Ari Strawnson with John Bland as alternate Lay delegate. Members of the BIG are Gwen and Chris Knoll, Mike Hartley, Alice Strawnson, Nell Schneider, Rita Milligan, Doris Carleton and Ruth Cline, ACW president. The first Vestry meeting will

be held on Feb. 23 following the church service. With diocesan grants being sharply curtailed, to keep the church functioning, members will be required to take a much more active part in supporting the church financially. Otherwise we could be deprived of existing facilities. The diocesan and church sponsored by the church vestry and ACW on Jan. 17 was very successful and the sponsoring groups wish to thank all those who attended, also all those who helped in any way.

The annual congregational meeting of the Bon Accord United Church will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 28 at 8 p.m. following the usual Pot Luck supper at 6:30 p.m. in the church.

Holy Trinity ACW will meet at the home of Mrs. Hugh Cline on Thursday, Jan. 30 at 8 p.m. Anyone interested is cordially invited to attend.

Pembina M.P. Reports

By Peter Elzinga, MP
During the Christmas break I have had a fairly busy schedule. There were eight public meetings held throughout the constituency, which were advertised in the Edmonton Journal and the local papers. These meetings were held to enable constituents to voice their opinions in areas of Federal concern. Many topics were discussed, issues such as Capital Punishment, increased aid to senior citizens, the turn-over of 47,000 acres of land to the Cree Indian Band in Wood Buffalo National Park, our energy situation, and the proposed indemnity increase for Members of Parliament.

Over all I feel the meetings were very worthwhile, and more of these type of meetings are planned for the future. The attendance varied a great deal from meeting to meeting, and thanks are due to the individuals that participated.

The meeting for the Sturgeon area was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Devereux on Friday, January the third.

I also had the opportunity of attending a good many other gatherings, of appearing on TV on Tuesday, Jan. 14, and appearing on the "talk-back" program on CICA radio. Correspondence and telephone calls have also been received, and again may I stress that if there is an opinion or a comment you wish to voice, or a problem that I may be of assistance with please let me know. I can be reached postage free,

if you mail your letter to the House of Commons, Ottawa.

Parliament reconvenes on Jan. 22, and some of the legislation that has been held over, Bill C-32 the "Petroleum Administration Act." This Act will enable the Federal Government to regulate the price of Canadian crude oil and natural gas in interprovincial trade and export trade. A Bill that the Progressive Conservative Party is opposed to, Bill C-19 "The Two Price Wheat Act." This is an Act to provide for payments in regard to Wheat produced and sold in Canada for human consumption in Canada. This is a measure to provide, during the period from July 1974 to June 1980, payments for Wheat sold for human consumption in Canada.

Bill C-36 "The Representation Act, 1974" was passed just before our Christmas recess. This is an Act to provide for representation in the House of Commons, to establish electoral boundaries commissions and to remove the temporary suspension of the Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act. This Act will increase the number of Members in the House of Commons and Alberta will gain two federal seats in the next federal election.

I really enjoyed travelling through the entire constituency again and in closing I express my gratitude to the many constituents of Pembina for their Christmas wishes.

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